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TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS.

There is space for quotations from only a few of the many appreciative commendations of the Magazine that have come in "the abundant shower" of postal cards announcing with pride and pleasure the fact of being continuous subscribers during the twenty-five years just closed. Warm thanks are returned for each good wish. We love every one of those who have stood with us these long years. At the opening of the twenty-sixth year, nothing will stimulate faith and courage more than to have thousands more added as interested readers and friends.—Eds.

MISS M. M. PRESSLY

In accordance with your request, I am happy to send my name as one of the early subscribers, being the lingering member of the original "Quintette," endorsed by the General Assembly of 1875. I have seen wonderful growth along all lines of our women's work, "whereof we are glad."

M. M. Pressly.

I comply by sending my name as an early subscriber and would have been happy to have been at the recent Convention to extend my sincere appreciation of the Magazine's helpful service. Mrs. E. M. Hill.

I have had the Magazine from the first number until the present time and was one who subscribed to the Guarantee Fund. Last winter while going through some old papers, I found my certificate.

Mrs. Samuel Yourd.

I send you a card telling that I have been one of the continuous subscribers from the first and it was so helpful in the outline programs which it soon gave. I am proud of the Women's Missionary Magazine of our United Presbyterian Church—the best Magazine I know of. Mrs. D. O. Wilson.

I began taking the Magazine one of the first and continue to take it. That was in Chicago. May it ever live. Mrs. M. C. Glenn.

I am glad that I can send my name as one of the first to subscribe for the Magazine and am proud to be on the list.

Mrs. Jean R. Turnbull.

Have been a subscriber of the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue, and today opened the first copy which contains a picture of Mrs. Hanna who was an aunt of my mother. (Miss) Mary A. Kerr.

By your request I can inform you that I am one who has been a subscriber since the first issue of the Women's Missionary Magazine. Mrs. Isabella Robertson.

By request of the Women's Magazine Committee, I am pleased to inform you that I have been a subscriber from the first, and have all the copies except the minutes of one or two of

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the General Society Meetings, which, I think, were issued separately. Have half of them bound in book form and they look real nice.

Whenever I see your name in print, or hear of you, I am reminded of our dear friend Mrs. James Carson—how I did love her. I congratulate you with the rest of the Magazine Committee for your excellent work.

Mrs. R. L. Brownlee.

I noticed in the last Magazine that you desired the names of all who had been continuous subscribers to the Magazine since its beginning. I have taken it continuously all these years, and have read and enjoyed every number.

I congratulate you and those asociated with you on the splendid success that has crowned your labors. Your twenty-five years of faithful service for Christ and the church will not be overlooked by Him who sees and knows.

I wish that all the women of our church could know what a help the Magazine would be to them. Martha J. Crabbe.

This postal is to say that I have been a continuous subscriber of the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue. I have part of them bound, and have every number, unless it it perhaps two that I lost by lending.

Mrs. J. R. Jackson.

I have taken the Women's Missionary Magazine ever since the first issue.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. R. Wallace.

Seeing a request in the Magazine for the names of continuous subscribers for the twenty-five years, I will say that my mother, Mrs. M. J. Warnock, was one of them. We laid her away in March. The Magazine will continue to come to our home in my own name.

Syren W. Scott.

I take pleasure in writing you that I have been a continuous subscriber to our Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue.

Mrs. Harriett E. McClellan.

I was a delegate at the W. G. M. S. in Monmouth in 1887 when the Magazine was born. I took one share of stock of the reserve fund. After I had been home a few days, I received a letter stating that the stock was not all sold, and asking if I would take more shares. I went to a couple of my neighbors and they took a share apiece. Their names were Mrs. Ray and Mrs. McCollun. I did not hear of this stock again until I heard you read your report at Chicago. I was glad to hear of it again. I have been a constant subscriber from the day the Magazine was discussed in the Monmouth Convention to the present time, and am glad to be able to thank you for the Magazine which is a monument to indefatigable labor and love.

Mrs Clara E. Henderson.

I am writing this card for Mrs. Chas. Given who wishes to answer the request for cards from all who have been subscribers to the Women's Missionary Magazine from the beginning until now. She has become so blind she can not read so she gets someone to read the Magazine for her and so keeps in touch with the work. Although she is 85 years old, she is remarkable for her age and she requested me to write this card of love to you and I sign it for her. Mrs. Chas. Given.

By Mrs. J. W. Henderson.

I gave my first subscription to Mrs. Head of Cambridge, Ohio, in 1886, and have not missed a copy since, except one or two lost in the mail. Mrs. J. C. Christy.

I have been a subscriber to the Magazine from the first and expect to continue as long as I live because I could not do without it. I wish many more would take it. They do not know what they miss by not procuring it.

Mrs. I. J. Fergus.

I have been a subscriber to the Women's Missionary Magazine since the first issue. I also made a pledge to the original Guarantee Fund. Mrs. (Rev.) W. H. Patterson.

I have been a subscriber of the Women's Missionary Magazine from its first issue.

Mrs. Anna E. Pressly.

Mrs. Oliver Hicks asked me to send you her name as one of the continuous subscribers to the Magazine since its first issue. (She is a sister of the late Mrs. Belle Gordon Lytle.) May the list be long, is the wish of

Mrs. Hervey Bell.

I have been a subscriber to the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue. Wishing you success in your work.

(Miss) Ida M. Forsythe.

I have been a continuous subscriber to the Magazine. I have the first numbers and cannot recall that my subscription ever stopped. I enjoy the Magazine and hear others say the same. You have done long and faithful work.

Mrs. Zella G. Ferguson.

I have been a subscriber of the Magazine ever since it was in our church.

E. J. Cruikshank.

I have taken the Women's Missionary Magazine continuously since its first number in 1887. Maria Irvine Crawford.

I am happy to say that I am one of the continuous subscribers to our Missionary Magazine. Mrs. S. J. Swank.

Just a little greeting, and to give you my name as a subscriber to our Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue. It is not coming to my address, but I am sending it to four persons. I get the reading of it from my sister, Mrs. Blair. Hope to see you next May if our lives are spared.

Mrs. R. B. Timmons.

I am glad to say that I have been a continuous subscriber for the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first number until this day. I sincerely hope you will succeed in obtaining the 5000 new subscribers.

L. J. Williamson, (Mrs W. B. W.)

I have been a continuous subscriber and reader of the Women's Missionary Magazine, and still possess a copy of every number. I prize them very highly.

Mrs. D. A. Monlux.

I have been a continuous subscriber to the Missionary Magazine since the first issue.

Mrs. Samuel Warnock.

Mrs. N. I. Blair, Mrs. Jane Crosbie, Miss Jennie Clark, Mrs. Lyde McCarrel, Miss Lizzie McCarrel, Miss Margaret Murdoch, Mrs. John H. Murdoch, Miss Bessie Patterson, Mrs. S. M. Templeton. The above names have been on my books as subscribers to the Women's Missionary Magazine since the first issue in 1887.

N. I. Blair, Agent.

I have been a continuous subscriber to the Women's Missionary Magazine.

Mrs. W. H. French.

The undersigned have been continuous subscribers of the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue.

Mrs. W. C. Hastie.
Mrs. N. Weingart.

I have been a continuous subscriber to the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue. Mrs. J. G. Bull.

In response to your request in the Magazine, June number, I have taken it continuously since it was first issued. I thought so much of it that I had the first three years bound. Now I find myself comparing former numbers with those of to-day—always good, but better each year—is my verdict.

The mailing department comes in for praise also. One year during the pastorate of Rev. F. O. Ross, the annual report was lost enroute, and Xenia's good women replaced them—the only number I ever missed. I really think this remarkable.

When the Convention met in Washington, Mrs. Carson and Mrs. W. T. Meloy were my guests. Both have gone higher. My part on our program at the late meeting was of the reminiscent order, and the younger members seemed to enjoy hearing of the early difficulties encountered and the splendid results now attained by our worthy Magazine editors.

Mrs. Hervey Bell.

I have been a continuous subscriber to the Women's Missionary Magazine.

Mrs. Laura Dales Rudy.

I have been a continuous subscriber from the first issue and have been more interested in missions than if I had not read your Magazine. I have almost all of the copies which I would like to have bound some time. I bind each year in a separate package. I think every family in the church should have a copy in the home. (Mrs.) Mary K. Stewart.

I have been a subscriber to the Magazine ever since it existed and had the Zenuna before the Women's Magazine was published.

(Mrs.) Mary A. Dick.

I have been a continuous subscriber to the Magazine from its very first issue and for years filed them away. Have always enjoyed the reading of the Magazine.

Mrs. Hattie T. Orr.

The following have been continuous subscribers of the Women's Missionary Magazine since its first issue:

Mrs. J. H. McMillan,
Mrs. A. P. Hutchinson,
Mrs. W. M. Story,
Mrs. A. D. Donaldson.
Anna A. Donaldson.

I have taken the Missionary Magazine each year since it was published. Think it gets better each year. I attended the Monmouth Convention as a delegate, where the plan for the Magazine was made. I wish we could have Women's Missionary Magazine in every home.

Mrs. Z. G. Morrow.

I have been a continuous subscriber of the Magazine from the first issue. I wish to testify to its merit and helpfulness in my Christian work and experience and wish it all success in the future.

Mrs. Margaret Robbins.

I was a member of Kenton United Presbyterian Congregation, Sidney Presbytery, Silvercreek Postoffice, Ohio, and was among the first continuous subscribers. My son, Rev. F. O. Ross, had several complete years bound, from its small beginning, and they are in his library. I have always appreciated it so much and will while life lasts continue to subscribe for the Magazine. Through it the rich, sweet fragrance of the Master's love is wafted to all lands. Mrs. Cynthia A. Ross.

These have been continuous subscribers of the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue.

Mrs. G. W. Kendall,
Mrs. Sue Crabbe,
Mrs. Ella McCampbell,
Mrs. C. H. Kyle,
Rev. J. P. Robb.

I have been a continuous subscriber of the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first.

Isabella Montjoy.

I have always been a subscriber of the Women's Missionary Magazine since it was first published. Mrs. J. W. Ashton.

I have taken the Magazine since its first issue—with Mrs. Hannah's picture in it. I am the only one in our Society that has taken it so long. Mrs. Matthew McBride.

I have taken the Women's Missionary Magazine since its first issue.

Mrs. A. M. McElroy.

I will send my mother's name as a continuous subscriber for the Women's Missionary Magazine. She subscribed for the first number.

Wishing and praying for your success in the work for the Master.

Mrs. Mary I. Grimes,

I have been a continuous subscriber of the Women's Misisonary Magazine from the first issue. Hope to contiue it while I live.

Mrs. J. L. Gilmore.

I am pleased to say that I have been a subscriber of the Women's Misionary Magazine from the first issue and have always found it helpful. I could not do without it.

Mrs. R. A. Elliott.

I send my name as an original and continuous subscriber.

Mrs. J. C. Margaret M. Shaw.) Doty.

I have been a continuous subscriber to our valued Magazine from the very first number. At one time during just one year another lady and I took it together for her encouragement. No lady in our church can afford to do without it. I now pay for three and have for several years. Mrs. J. P. Finney.

I have taken the Women's Missionary Magazine from the first issue.

Hoping that the Magazine may be as successful in the future as in the past, I remain,

Sincerely,

Mrs. B. F. Purviance.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Women's Missionary Magazine

A Retrospective Glance

Presented at Annual Meeting at Chicago, May 15, 1912

By Mrs. W. C. Hutchison

THE story is told of a man who had a pet chameleon. When asked what became of the little animal, replied, "Why, you see that chameleon, after its kind, would turn the color of the objects about it, or with its temper when disturbed. If I would put a piece of red cloth under it, the color would be red; if brown, it would promptly be brown; if yellow, it would be yellow. One day I foolishly put a piece of Scotch plaid under it, and the poor little thing in trying to cover the proposition, went to pieces." The dilemma of the chameleon has been repeated as I have patiently tried to bring the history of twenty-five years into the space of ten minutes.

Twenty-five years ago in the month of June, when the air is full of new life and growth, sufficient to make one hopeful of even new undertakings, a little group, consisting of Miss Sallie McDowell, Mrs. Belle McDowell Patterson, Mrs. J. G. Carson, the writer, and the prospective publisher, Mr. John Beveridge, met in the pleasant sitting-room of the McDowell home to consider one particular measure, which was to mark a new era in the history of the United Presbyterian Church—the project of launching a Women's Missionary Magazine, devoted to the interests of Missions at home and abroad.

The decisive step had been taken at the Annual Meeting in May in Monmouth, Illinois, authorizing the Committee appointed the year before at Xenia, Ohio, to proceed at once with the publication. When the preliminary organization of the Committee had been effected, one who knew how to talk with God led the little group in earnest prayer, beseeching skill, guidance and blessing; that was the "Hay-Stack Prayer Meeting"—the "upper chamber," where He kept that inspiring promise to meet those gathered in His name. To this hour that prayer recalls the petition of Solomon at the dedication of the temple. We cannot dwell in words upon that holy moment; nor can we analyze a spiritual effect, but there was no doubt of the Spirit's presence in that little gathering when the new-born project was presented before *Him* and His blessing asked. Since then many, many have been the times of refreshing, many the times of humiliation

before God, and many the times of thanksgiving and praise at the stated meetings of the Committee.

When the publisher retired, four women heroically addressed themselves to the tremendous undertaking of directing and fostering the new project; the work was accepted as a solemn charge—as commissioned from the Master— and in the spirit of a divine vocation has it been done; the single purpose of promoting on the one hand the most spiritual and scriptural conceptions of all work for God at home and abroad; on the other, that of utilizing and vitalizing the latent forces among the women of the Church, and to aid in developing co-operation and united action—was the mission of the Magazine.

This repose of confidence by the Women's General Missionary Society demanded gratitude from the Committee and to deserve it, honest and indefatigable exertion was directed.

With the passing of the years, the Mission Field has broadened—to-day nothing that is human is foreign.

With the "bow of promise in the cloud," the willing heart, and an enthusiasm that was not manufactured, came the power to execute, and the Woman's Missionary Magazine was established, and now through a quarter of a century of steady progress over shoals of difficulties, the Magazine has come to the present state of recognition, like the gallant ship with sails unfurled, into the harbor and into the serene calm of prosperity, and without precedent or contemporary in our Church, has made a name and a place among the Missionary publications of this and other lands. The consciousness of fewer mistakes would brighten this review, but withal, the Magazine must have been "a vine of the Lord's own planting," for His blessing has been upon it and His mercy and loving kindness have *overshadowed it*. None more than she, who is telling this story realizes the changes that have taken place in the personel of the Committee. The majority of the founders have put on "immortality," but not before it was given them to see the noble fruition of their hopes and labors. A cold loneliness comes over me, as I recall their names and their faces, and I can but wish I could tell them how they builded better than they knew. Love is willing to give. They laid at the Master's feet without stint their time, their strength and their money. The latter was no little factor in settling the problems of the new work. They had qualities of leadership, of courage, wisdom to formulate as well as carry forward plans; they were both literary and executive; they had optimism in a good and holy cause; a wide, manifest faith in God, which as a heritage they left to those who from time to time have taken their places. These women bore the burden of the early days of our Magazine. The memories of the personality of each one of them lingers and the power of their association, bringing into existence our Magazine, will ever be an eloquent and devout appeal to the women of our church.

The details of the new enterprise were not settled at one meeting. The name, the motto, the subscription price, the color of the cover, the number of pages, must be carefully considered. Those were busy weeks intervening when every step must must be cautiously taken, with a subscription list of 2,300 and a guarantee fund of $500.00, only $50.00 of which was ever paid, and that gratuitiously, there was no margin for looseness or liberality in calculations. And here let me say we were most fortunate in the selection of publishers—Messrs. Marshall and Beveridge— the latter the youngest son

of Dr. Thos. Beveridge of precious memory in our Church. Only those associated with these publishers know how patient and painstaking they were and how deep a gratitude is due them from the Committee who laid no claim to either experience or ability in managing a publication. Doubly useful was the service of Mr. Beveridge; being reared in our Church, its traditions, usages and principles were familiar to him, and he readily distinguished between Presbyterial and Presbyterian, as well as Sunday from Sabbath, and to this time under different management the name of the Holy Day is recognized in the office. Both of these useful men have passed away.

The first number of the Magazine was issued August, 1887. We cannot better express the temerity and anxiety with which this initial number was sent forth than by quoting the little poem written by Miss Anna E. Phelps, of Monmouth, Illinois, and dedicated to the Magazine on its first issue. It will have special sweetness and significance, since she too has passed to a glorious reward.

"Out upon the swelling tide
Ah, who beside it, shall abide.

This barque of hope assays to sail
Where breakers rise, and storms prevail.

With doubts and fears we launch it forth
A humble bearer of God's truth

Aye, from above He marked its course
He saw it rise, and knows its source.

The trembling hopes, the many prayers
The earnest struggle and the tears

That deathless truth God's only Son
With potent voice should make it known.

With earnest zeal, oh, may it prove
Proclaimer of divinest love

'Till all who grope in sin's despair
Shall see redemption shining there.

We leave this labor in thy care
Bless thou, O Lord, our humble share.

Miss Mary Clokey, now Mrs. Porter, has the honor of receiving the first number, fresh and sweet as a maiden, just from the press, and sent by private messenger to her home in Springfield, Ohio. To her honor and praise, be it said that from that hour to this, she has been a loyal, steady friend.

With close economy and unceasing vigilance, happy results (see Treasurer's report) have been attained, and no necessity has arisen to call upon the guarantee fund proposed at Monmouth, Illinois, where the entire Committee held two meetings. The question "How to Start" came to a solution by Mrs. A. W. Jamieson proposing that stock be issued and shares taken in case money should be needed, each share-holder standing good for the amount. One hundred shares at five dollars a share were issued, 73 of which were taken. Nine dollars were received from India, and six from Egypt, on subscriptions, which being placed in the guarantee fund, gave our missions three shares in that fund.

A letter from an aged member of our church in Keokuk, Iowa was received, saying, "I send draft for the amount subscribed for guarantee fund." One living on borrowed time should give the money instead of a note. Her promise was fulfilled, and that of ten others, with the offer of return if donor desired.

Some considerate friends advised the Committee against the publication of the Magazine, predicting failure and financial disaster, the fear of contributions being divided, general plans for the administration of Church affairs being subverted, traditions and usages of generations set aside; others said, "Women are always ready to undertake to do anything with any subject about which they know nothing; but somehow they generally succeed. They seldom fail, or if they

do, they never know it. They never stop until the end is attained, and sometimes not then." All these and more difficulties loomed up before these cautious, timid souls. The splendid result of twenty-five years must be regarded as vindication, and a sufficient reason for immediate procedure, without an apology for so doing. Instead of disaster, there has been harmony in the general scope, a tremendously stimulated increase in contributions because our women have become intelligent as to missionary operations, and by tact and ingenuity have solved problems that had been unknown and untried. Our women have kept step to the music of the march and progress of missions, and now they have a large share in the work of bringing the world to Christ, and it would be fearful to consider how far back the women of our Church would have been without the Missionary Society, the Women's Board, and the Missionary Magazine.

The original Committee appointed in 1887 was Miss Narcissa White, afterward Mrs. Kinney, now deceased, Miss E. P. Phelps, Miss Belle Rogers, Mrs. A. W. Jamieson, (nee Miss Louie Campbell,) of Monmouth, Mrs. Belle McDowell Patterson, Mrs. J. G. Carson, Mrs. W. C. Hutchison of Xenia. Miss White withdrew because of public temperance engagements; Mrs. Jamieson, who had charge of Home Mission news, moved to California in the winter of '88, her place and also those of Miss Phelps and Miss Rogers were eventually filled by women from the societies in Xenia, as it was manifest the Committtee should be entirely located at Xenia.

In twenty-five years thirteen (13) different women have composed the Magazine Committee, not more than five members at a time.

Miss Mary Bruce of Albany, New York, has the honor of sending the first subscription to the Magazine, one year before publication. This good friend sent, June 16th, 1887, the first $5.00 for the guarantee fund; she was also the first life member of the Women's General Missionary Society. The very day she received the report of the Annual Meeting at Allegheny, she wrote, "As this Society is in its infancy certificates of membership may not be prepared. I send twenty-five dollars and wait for certificate." This dear sister was seventy-five years old when the organized work of our Church came into existence, but she said, "I am greatly interested in women's work in the United Presbyterian Church, having been a member more than fifty years. Everything connected with it is of importance, whether great or small. My sincere prayer is that the Magazine may prove a success and a blessing." These things are told as a "memorial of her" and of all others who have done likewise.

Looking backward over twenty-five years the picture appears an uninterrupted one, interspersed with incidents and experiences pleasing, amusing and sad. Those with whom we have walked and talked and labored have been a "lovely sisterhood of missionary spirits." What would the Magazine have been without them. No one will question the assertion that the work has been incessant and tyrannical; that it has been both a fascinating lure and a prodding rod. It has been a work that went to bed with you at night and rose up early in the morning, often before the "morning stars sang their matin hymn;" many a social engagement had to be cancelled; many a holiday ignored that, fresh and strong, some important work in connection with the Magazine could be taken care of.

Within the past few months two editors of Women's Missionary Magazines have laid aside their work which for twenty-five years they had successfully and lovingly prosecuted. One said, "The sun is in the West. The traveler is thinking of home." The other in looking back over a useful devoted life, and into the glories of the eternal world which she soon entered, said, "I did not know it could be so radiant." Your editor can appropriate both of these sentiments. For her the sun is in the West, the golden glow of the evening is casting its shadows,

"The songs we hear as evening draws near
From the heavenly flights are flung."

In looking over the twenty-five years of continuous service, I did not know the retrospect could be "so radiant" with the compensating joy of fellowship in labor, and the thought that as God has given ability and opportunity we have helped a little the coming of His Kingdom and the better doing of His will. Every note of self-gratulation is hushed. Never could self-elevation and self-confidence be less opportune. Memory is busy, and if encouraged, would lay very troublesome loads upon my mind, as I recall purposes only partially accomplished, and endeavors that lost their power of wing.

This is not a completed story of the Magazine. This is but a few strokes on the canvas, but a few threads in the loom. The Master Artist with the brush of infinite love and skill, will finish the picture, and in the coming time will send the Magazine

"Onward through the shining years,
Fitted for service by power divine,
Emptied of self and filled, dear Lord, with love
Be all the honor and glory Thine."

MRS. W. C. HUTCHISON.

"HE LEADETH ME."

Written for the Missionary Magazine on its First Issue.

MISS E. P. PHELPS

"He leadeth me," Oh, words of blessed meaning,
To the worn and wearied bringing rest,
Sweeter than breezes, aroma laden,
From sea-girt isle, or Araby the blest.

Not all the gems and treasures golden,
Hidden in far-off India's mine,
Are with such rapture by the eyes beholden,
As those sweet words of thine.

In doubt and fear upon the desert lonely,
With tender feet we tread the burning sand,
Asking the way — a word, a whisper only,
Then feel the pressure of a guiding hand.

And sometimes e'en when walking blindly
With cloud o'erhead like midnight's pall,
There cometh one who leadeth kindly;
Our guide is God — the Father over all.

Monmouth, Illinois, August, 1887.

WORK AMONG THE FREEDMEN.

A SOUTHERN COTTON FIELD.

The Next Step---Forward.

The every-member canvass for missions will do much to educate the whole church in systematic giving, yet we remember that this pledged sum goes toward the million dollars for missions asked for by the General Assembly and does not include anything for the prospering and increasing work under the care of the Women's Board.

In order that our twenty-fifth Thank-Offering Anniversary may be fittingly observed many will want to remember countless blessings by increased gifts through this channel. The Sarah Foster Hanna Memorial will not be forgotten by any who believe in honoring the memory of pioneers—and Mrs. Hanna was one who helped prepare the way for our splendidly organized women's work. May the women of to-day honor her memory by a fitting memorial.

The year 1913 gives us another opportunity for *Special Thanks*, for January first marks the 50th Anniversary of legal freedom to every person in the United States of America. A few shiploads of Africans, stolen from their homes and brought here and sold for slaves, had become the goodly number of four million people held in bondage at that date. After fifty years of freedom we have the Negro population of the U. S. quoted at over ten millions and the larger part of this number are not ex-slaves but free-born citizens. No other country has just the same problem that confronts us—two races, each distinct of one country, having one flag, speaking one language, and enjoying equal rights and privileges (so-called, for, that the Negro is discriminated against few will deny.) We come not to you with the scales of justice, asking for rights, but we come under the banner of love, asking that the "Christ be magnified," that the watchword of our late Convention in Chicago be taken for the watchword of every women's missionary society this year. Christ said that repent-

ance and remission of sins should be preached in his name, among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

A few Sabbaths since we had for our Sabbath School lesson the story of the woman who was a great sinner, who came unbidden to a feast where Jesus was, and performed an humble act of love that is told throughout the ages as a memorial of her. In teaching this lesson to a class of small boys, we asked, "Boys, if three or four Negro boys should come into our class room, ask to stay and learn about our Savior, what would you do?" "Leave," said two of the boys in one breath. We tried to show how to-day, *we,* like the Pharisees of old, are less anxious to present Jesus to sinners than we are to save ourselves from personal contact with them. In fifty years—not a long time in the life of any nation, not a long time for a race to establish homes, gain a foothold in business, cast away the evils of hundreds of years of loose habits and morals, the outgrowth of slavery—much has been accomplished. Our missions are prospering, growing in influence and numbers until enlargement is the call from many places. This call we would be glad to answer if only our Army would come up to our help. At several of our schools last year the dormitories were crowded beyond what was sanitary.

One school asks that *this summer,* two rooms be added to a school building with rooms above for students, the whole to cost $1500, and we have not this amount of money to spare from our regular funds. When you read this do not hesitate, but *at once* remit to the Treasurer *some extra* for this building

At another school where more room is needed and had to be refused, the girls of last year pledged $150 toward a new building, saying, "We will pick enough extra cotton this summer to pay it." The youngest boarder, quite a little girl, pledged one dollar and a half. Many, if not all, these girls work in vacation to pay their next term's school expenses, so this meant real giving.

Women! Listen! 63 Presbyterials and only *one* pledges a salary for Freedmen's Missions. Take up this matter at once and let us start our new hospital at Henderson with the superintendent's salary pledged. (We will cheerfully answer telegrams asking for the amount.) Our Jubilee Hospital is finished, and we invite you to inspect it. Can you come to the dedication? If so, you will find an escort at the Henderson Station to show you the way to the Henderson Normal Institute. Just on this side of and parallel with the school campus is a new street, facing on it is a building different from the rest. The name of the street is familiar, "Witherspoon Ave.," and having seen a picture of the building in the Magazine, we need not to be told we are at the Jubilee Hospital. Colonial in design, of red brick and all wood work white, olive green shades, is the general impression of the outside. To the right from the hall we enter the office. The rug is body brussels, and the desk and chairs substantial oak. We note that the ink-well, desk-pad and waste basket of brass are all in place. This room is furnished by Mr. Jno. A. Bell of Carnegie, Pa. We go to the dining room, to the left from the hall, and find that the Home Missionary Society of the First Church, Allegheny, Pa. has also placed a body brussels rug on the floor, a round table of quartered oak with buffet and chairs to match. To-day the table is adorned with flowers beautiful, so we must peep into the drawers to see the linen, etc. Through the pantry we enter the kitchen. We take a note that boxes of fruit and

jellies will be needed and ask you to send these to Rev. J. A. Cotton, and mark for the Hospital. We next look into the public ward for men. Oh! Those nice white beds! No. 1 is marked W. M. S., Second Cambridge, Ohio; No. 2 is marked Women and Y. W. M. S. of Carnegie, Pa.; No. 3 is marked Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hamilton of Blairsville, Pa.; No. 4 is marked Y. P. C. U., Hanover, Illinois. More names, we feel sure, will be placed on the other beds just as soon as you know they are nameless—$50 each please, and eight of them, two in the down stairs ward and six in the women's ward on the second floor. As we start up stairs and raise our eyes, one exclaims, "What a beautiful window," and we read "In memory of Dr. J. M. Fulton, by members of the Fourth United Presbyterian Church, Allegheny, Pa. The thought of entering the operating room made some of us shudder, but learning that the loving thought of the Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, W. M. S. had preceded us, we calmly view the many articles with long names that it takes a doctor, nurse or board of hospital managers to rattle off glibly, and thank the Sixth Church women for knowing just what to buy. One private bed room is furnished complete by Second Church, Pawnee, Neb., one private room by Mrs. J. Allison Reid of Third Church, Pittsburgh, in memory of her father, Dr. Simpson, one private by Mrs. Mary Ann Robinson (colored) of Chartiers Church, Canonsburg, Pa. This colored woman left a bequest of $50 to each of the women's and young women's missionary societies. The amounts were united and given for this purpose. Hoopstown, Ill. sent a box of bedding for a child's bed. The Hammerville Juniors sent a special gift for furnishing, and their money covered the price of the head nurse's desk.

The Y. W. S. of Keokuk, Iowa sent a special and their amount provided the rolling chair. Y. W. of Tabernacle Church, Youngstown, Ohio sent sheets and pillow cases. Wheatland M. S., Plainfield, Ill. sent sheets and pillow cases, First Church, Buffalo, N. Y. Missionary Society, a supply of bedding for one bed and two dozen night gowns.

After moving into a new house it takes some time to get all our needs provided. Every once in a while some new need confronts us, so there will be many things yet to provide for the Hospital ere we can rest. Let us not be weary in well doing. And let the next step be a long step forward — providing our superintendent's salary, and the necessary buildings needed.

MRS. SAMUEL YOURD,
Secretary Freedmen's Work.

Appeal from the Freedmen to the Young Women of the United Presbyterian Church.

SOPHIA COX JOHNSON.

READ AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 16, 1912.

To one but a generation removed from slavery and who, but for the intervention of Providence by a tender-hearted father, might have been attending to duties as maid to the father's young mistress, has been delegated the pleasure of bringing to you this appeal.

Left motherless at the age of six, the eldest of four children of a poor hard-working father, her life has been no pathway of roses. With school terms of from three to five months per year, and one term of nine months at a Quaker Institute she finished a Grammar School course at the age of seventeen, at which

time she was expected to add her mite to the maintenance of the family. Being dissatisfied with the smattering knowledge she possessed, she determined on finishing the Normal course at Knoxville College and after alternating for five years, work and study, she accomplished what might have been done in two years had she been given the proper assistance, and left school owing a debt of fifty dollars to the matron. Since that time her services have been given to Black Belt missionary activities; for six years as matron of young women and four years as matron of young men together with nine years' service to the sewing department, so this appeal can be made on an intelligent basis.

We do not make this appeal directly in behalf of the jostling crowds of my people seen at the railway stations, for at present they do not realize their condition, and it will be many years before it will be possible to reach them. They need sympathy and enlightenment but this must needs come after generations of instruction given by those other throngs seen only when you enter the Institutions of learning planted by such friends as your fathers and mothers.

And not altogether do we plead for the large number, who in these fifty years of freedom have accumulated means enough in a measure, to pay for the education of their children. What is most needed on their part is a system of good schools and well-trained teachers such as at present are hard to secure. For an illustration, in Wilcox County, Alabama, there is not a single public school building belonging to the state. Schools are taught in dilapidated churches or such houses as the people themselves provide. There are in my own township as shown by the last census, 600 colored children to 40 whites, and in the whole county there are 10,000 colored children to 2,000 whites. 1,700 of these colored children were gathered into our six mission stations last year; the others were left to poor instruction for the most part. Important as these facts are, we are leaving them for more experienced hands and come to you directly in behalf of the struggling young women of darker hue.

Since no race can rise higher than its home-makers, what a responsibility rests upon my sisters, scorned and derided as they are. Their own men in too many instances have not been trained to respect them, and from the men of the other races can they only hope for classification with the Negro woman who cares only for self and selfish desires.

I have learned by experience why my father strongly objected to my becoming a servant girl. Not so much for the work demanded of me, because he insisted on my learning to do that well; but more because of the false impressions relative to a colored girl striving to make an honest living. And these impressions have gone out in many instances because of the low estimate these girls place upon themselves. The honest, ambitious colored women must live down such impressions, and many are succeeding. Several of our teachers in the missions have received the respect of their employers as servants in the home.

It were a sad fact indeed if all the money spent in the past for the uplift of the Black Race had accomplished nothing, but such is not the case. In our own field in Alabama, a mission has been planted on land donated by the colored people themselves. They have also built a large school house. On the farm there are families who have completed the course in the school and are ready to purchase homes. Out in Carolina there is a

BETTY TAYLOR

Bettie Taylor who carried the light she received from the United Presbyterian Mission at Henderson, into her own community and set up a similar mission. My place as matron of young women has been successfully filled for five years by one of my girls who worked her way through our school, and afterward through the Normal course at Knoxville College, receiving a high recommendation from the president as he sent her forth to her own people. Another of our girls who worked in the home of the Principal and afterward completed the dress-making course at the College, took up my work in the sewing department.

Such has been part of the result of the work in the past. At present in our own mission there are a dozen girls who work out one-half or all of their board. Some work in the homes of the teachers, others in the laundry, the Infirmary and some do odd jobs. We have no fund for such work and several have been refused admission who desired work. I am supposing the same conditions in the other stations for where United Presbyterian missions are known, there are always many to seek them.

We need money for scholarships that those who apply for work may not be turned away. In many cases, these scholarships might be given in the form of loans that they may be far-reaching in their effect. $5.00 will pay for one month's board and $45.00 for one full term of nine months in the most of our stations. Often students cannot remain a whole term because the money gives out. We had such cases during the past year. And sometimes many worthy cases must remain away altogether.

The Principal handed me a card last fall from three girls who had been besieging him all summer to find them a place where they could do their own feeding and the people do the boarding; because they were anxious to come to school and could not afford the five dollars per month. After some correspondence, we wrote them that the dormitory was the best place we knew and for them to come on. This they did, bringing a fourth girl who after three months had to return home for lack of funds.

A little girl of twelve, being anxious to enter our school, slipped away from home and was overtaken in Camden, fifteen miles away, after the principal had been notified to meet her. The mother pleaded a place for her to work her way but her size was against her and she had to return home very much discouraged.

We need subscriptions to Magazines and papers, and lively story books such as any girl likes. Girls coming from illiterate families must have entertaining literature in order to have created a desire for reading. This is a great problem and you find teachers reading to students

in the school room, the sewing room, and the home trying to get them to see the good that will come to them from this habit. It is a task to keep something on hand. Send a book, a paper to help on this work.

There is a demand for second-hand and new clothing. Clothes make up a large part of our living, and are a necessity in any work. I remember, and with no small degree of gratitude, the help received from the second-hand clothes room when I was leaving the college for my field of labor. Leaving school in debt, how was I to buy clothes? And many girls have been able to save money to buy books because of the saving on clothes donated by those who could do no more.

Young women who make up boxes of clothing for the girls in the missions are helping in this effort to give knowledge. May such work continue.

We plead for your prayers that our efforts may bring success, that our neighboring whites may understand our motives and lend a helping hand. They *are* understanding more and more as a colored school girl goes into a home to nurse or to sew, or a farmer has a buggy made over in the shop. Pray that in some way more knowledge of the object in view may come to them that we may at least have their sympathy until they are inclined to give every boy and girl a chance in life regardless to color.

Another, and possibly the greatest necessity is your sympathy. Oh, for the touch not of a vanished hand so much as for one present but will not touch. Thus cry the hungering souls of my sisters. Money is not the principal thing needed. We plead for those willing to touch. In my opinion the contact with the best trained Christian teachers not on equality but as teacher and pupil, is no small source of help to us in our benighted condition. How could it be otherwise when we read in the Bible, "Walk with wise men and thou shalt be wise." The friendly sympathy of our beloved Eliza B. Wallace and those associated with her, has done more toward making intelligent Christian women of me and many others than words can express.

One, Mrs. R. J. Love, who spent years of active service at Knoxville College, the source of supplies for our missions farther south, happening at a Sabbath School Convention in Alabama, said she saw reflected in the papers read by those young people, the characters of the different professors and teachers at Knoxville College. As a student came more or less under the instruction of a teacher his style was imbibed and transmitted in after years to those in his care. Such was the influence of that touch.

Ah, my friends, I have mingled with the mountain people to some extent, have smelt their coffee and bacon as I have passed their homes from day to day. My heart goes out to the child widows of India, and the women of the Harem in Egypt; I hope some day to see some of my girls located in the Sudan, assisting in the work of giving light to my ancestors in that dark country; the Indians with their wigwams in the west, have my sympathy as they are limited in their wanderings on their reservations, and also the millions of immigrants who find their way to our shores of their own accord; but my heart aches as I am compelled to note the burden of my sisters as with aching backs and careworn expressions, they lift up their voices and wail, "O Lord, how long!"

Up From Slavery.

LEONA BARTON, NORFOLK, VA.

This article was written by one that, but for the help afforded by our church, would not be qualified to be a successful and enthusiastic teacher.—Eds.

Just forty-nine years ago a "people which sat in darkness" saw light. Dimly it appeared upon their vision, impaired as it was by oppression, ignorance and sorrow. This was the light that, they as slaves, had prayed for, with tears of anguish, but as yet seemed afar off.

Struggling to get nearer, but with vain efforts,the cry went out from hearts already overburdened, "Who *will* open the door of knowledge to us?"
"Who will give our souls the 'Bread of Life'?" "Who will help us in the attempt to clothe our rude, untrained natures in the garments of refinement and culture. Who will lead us nearer the light?"

How this appeal was answered, a record of years of training and instruction shows. From the Southland to the North went this cry for help. And not in vain, for as an answer came messengers with good tidings of great joy and light. Men and women from northern states gave of their means and devoted their lives to the uplifting of a down-trodden people.

Among those that came from the North and founded institutions of learning for the Negro in many southern states came two pioneers with loyal hearts and willing hands to give light to Negro boys and girls. Rev. Matthew Clarke with his devoted wife settled in Norfolk, Virginia; and to-day Norfolk Mission College, with its four hundred graduates, stands a fitting monument and a lasting memorial of those who heard and answered the appeal. From it have gone men and women, ably equipped to meet the demands of the hour. Other pioneers came as messengers of light and just sixteen years ago Rev. Wm. McKirahan with his faithful wife answered the appeal. Many changes have been made under his principalship.

The buildings have increased from three to eight in number. The two most prominent of these are the boys' and girls' dormitories. The boys' dormitory is across the avenue, in a space of twelve lots, set back from the street, with a lawn in front. Here is a tennis court and other athletic grounds. This building will have a basement, with cement floor, dry and convenient, for a gymnasium.

SLAVE-SHIP, CABIN AND SCHOOL-HOUSE.—AMERICAN NEGRO SCENE.
FROM "THE WORLD IN CINCINNATI."

THE RED-MAN THANKS GOD FOR THE HOME MISSIONARY.

It would do your heart good, and settle, once for all, the question "Does it pay to send missionaries to the Indians?" to listen to their words of appreciation, and watch the faithful manner in which these humble followers of the Cross let their light shine.

Often we have listened to words like these: "My heart is glad to hear these Bible words. I cannot read them for myself, but thank God for sending the missionary to teach me. Before the missionary came I was a great sinner, but now Jesus has saved me by His precious blood and taken away my sin. I mean to serve Him as long as I live."

—Mrs. Helen Gordon.

WARM SPRINGS AGENCY, SCHOOL, CHURCH AND MANSE—
ALL THE BUILDINGS SHOWN HERE.

The girls' dormitory is a large building to which additions are now being made. This building contains sleeping rooms, study hall, dining rooms and kitchen. In the new addition will be a swimming pool for the young ladies.

Four departments have been added—the sewing, domestic science, printing and Lloyd departments.

"The College Bulletin," is issued each month in the interest of the College.

In the manual training department, the pupils are taught card board construction, paper folding, venetian iron bending, basketry and work in wood.

Under Mrs. McKirahan's charge is a large musical department, a special feature of which is a young ladies' orchestra

PRINTING DEPARTMENT, NORFOLK, VA.

In the sewing department, the girls obtain a practical knowledge of garment-making and fancy work. Each girl is required to attain such proficiency in planning, cutting, fitting and making garments as to be able to make her own clothing.

In the domestic science department, they are taught the care of cooking utensils, economy in the use of fuel, the composition of foods and how to do plain and fancy cooking, cleanly, economically and scientifically, doing away with the idea that the "corn pone baked in ashes" is good enough for the Negro.

In the printing department the boys are taught type setting and receive instruction in composition and press work. In addition to job work, a paper called which during the year gives public entertainments. Special training is also given in literary drill, culminating in a contest between two literary societies at the end of the year. The College library, containing a number of carefully selected books, is open every day. The reading room contains an excellent library and is well stocked with the best magazines, current literature and daily newspapers.

There are three departments of study —a Primary, an Intermediate and a High School department, in all of which thoroughness and excellency of work fit those that come through them for any classical course in higher institutions they might wish to take. A good business course is also given.

Many of the graduates enter colleges, becoming professional teachers, ministers

and physicians, rendering needed service to their race.

As devoted wives, mothers and homemakers, the graduates of Norfolk Mission College show what daily contact and association with refined cultured teachers with ideas of right living, have taught them.

Obedience, charity, temperance, truthfulness, purity and honesty are taught, believing that no education is thorough or has a solid foundation but that which is built upon Christ, and this influence has spread until nearly every home in the city of Norfolk has been touched and brightened by it.

To these indeed the light has come, a light to guide forever the negro boys and girls out of the slavery of ignorance and superstition, into the freedom of knowledge as great as is possible for any race to attain and these by persistent and steady effort bring forth great results showing that the Negro has indeed come up from slavery.

Every morning in the college chapel there assemble more than six hundred negro students, who not in the words of Longfellow, the poet,

> "Loud he sang the Psalms of David,
> He a Negro and enslaved."

but with all the joyousness of those who, walking in the light of liberty and intelligence, sing as only those can sing whose prayers have been answered, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."

WORK AMONG THE INDIANS.

The Warm Springs Indian Mission.

Another year has passed and gone with its records for Eternity. I shall pass by the trials and discouragements, for they are common to all the workers in the vineyard, and mention some of those that may interest and encourage.

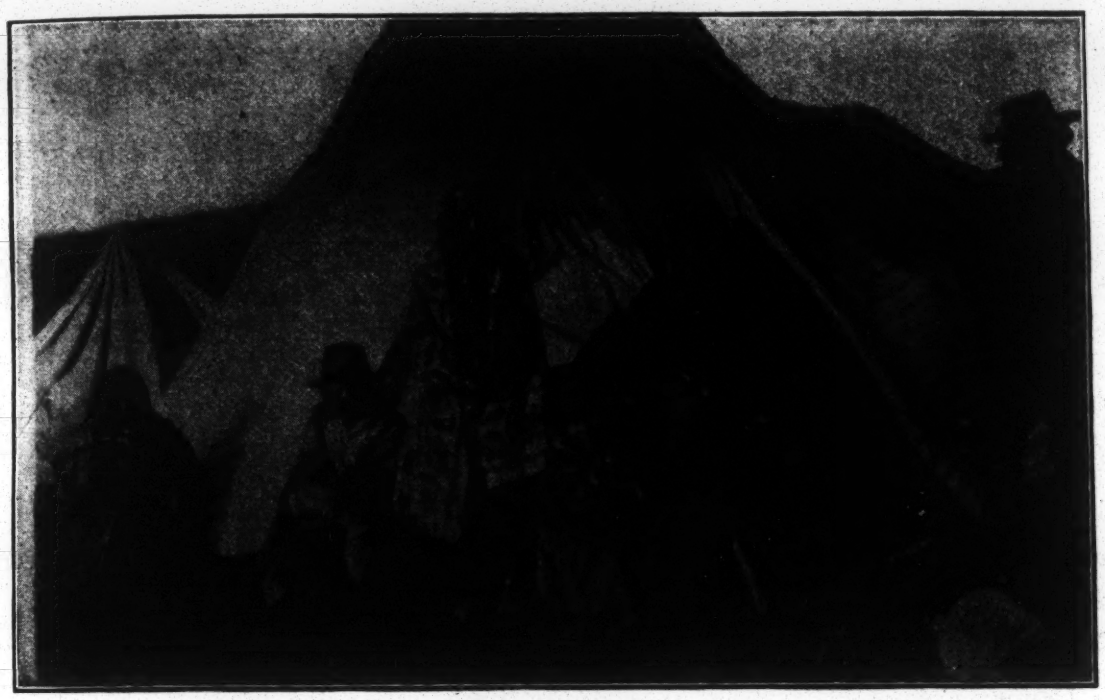
There were deep snows but of short duration, hence not as much suffering as usual. Regular Service has been held every Sabbath during the year. The Sabbath School is usually discontinued during the school vacation. The Church Service and the Prayer Meetings continue.

Our Evangelistic meetings have just closed, my report has gone to the Secretary, and we start immediately to Simnasho to hold meetings there. Satan, that old emissary, has been starting opposition in that field as he did here, but we go forth with the Sword of the Spirit, conquering and to conquer.

One of the Simnasho Indians attended our meetings here, professed conversion, was baptized, and was received into the Church. He was one of the long-haired Indians. The next morning he came to Church with his hair cut and trimmed up nicely. He confesses publicly, gives testimony, prays and has worship where he tarries.

There were 24 accessions, 6 restorations, 19 adult baptisms, and 6 infant. 31 joined the Temperance Society.

Last winter a number of Pi-Utes confessed and united with the Indian Church. The old man sitting by the tent is Otis Johnson, the old Pi-Ute Chief. He made a good confession, was baptised and is now one of the Pi-Ute Christians. They tell me that he is 90 years, but I think that he is over 100 years old. He is more feeble now than he looks in the



PI-UTE CAMP.

picture. It was taken several years ago.

Charlie Wewa was ordained Elder two weeks past, and is the acting Elder among the Pi-Utes and is doing good work. We do not have his picture. We will send other pictures when we can secure them.

We are persuaded that the only way to secure Christian teachers in the Indian School is for the Board to take charge of the School. It is the only way to make a success of the Mission as it ought to be.

One of the pictures shows the Warm Spring Canyon on the road to Simnasho, just across the Warm Spring River, and two of our Indians, man and wife.

We had the Church repaired before our meetings were held. The floor painted, the windows cleaned and finished with Windowphanie. It has the appearance of stained glass. Mrs. Shirks' class wanted to furnish one window, and they are much pleased with their offering and the window they paid for.

The interest in church work is increasing and we have good hopes for the future.

Just returned from an evangelistic meeting at Simnasho. The results were four baptized, three adults, and ten to the temperance society.

There seems to be quite a gulf between their old Indian superstition, their religion, and Christianity. They are like many white people, they want to go to heaven when they die, but they want to go their own way.

We have one United Presbyterian teacher in the Government School here, Mrs. Mary M. Shirk. She told us that she wanted to belong to the Indian Church here as she was working among the Indians and for the Indians.

Her former membership was in Washington, D. C. She is a noble Christian woman and a born teacher. Ex-Superintendent, Leupp, said that she was a heaven-born teacher, and he spoke better than he knew.

In the school room she teaches them Bible verses and Bible songs, and prays with them every morning, and surrounds them with a constant Christian atmosphere. It is Christian teaching with her

PUPILS AT THE NEW FOX DAY SCHOOL.

every day. Some of the pupils have united with the Church and others will soon follow. The warmest sympathy is shown in her work and among the children.

The Indian parents say, "That is the kind of teachers we want for our children."

Take the Civil Service Examination, for teacher, and if there is no vacancy here, then take any position offered and be transferred to Warm Spring.

On May 13th, a Women's Missionary Society was organized with 26 members.

Very sincerely yours in the work,

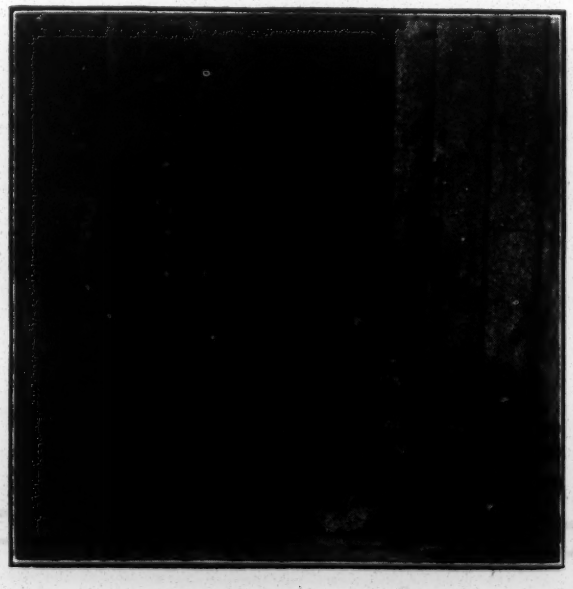
A. B. DICKIE.

Our Mission at Tama, Iowa.

BY MISS ORA HAFT, MISSIONARY.

Another year has rolled by since our Magazine readers have heard much of their Indian brothers and sisters. But we must send you a message occasionally lest you forget that we are still here, thinking that we have not survived the Iowa winter. We did, however, and are most thoroughly thawed now, for Iowa sun can be as hot as its winds can be cold.

Our Indian men have been very busy getting their corn planted—the season is late and they have been working very hard. The women are making gardens and making roofing (of rushes) for their summer houses. The spirit of industry grows each year until now a young man who does nothing is an exception. We were surprised the other day to meet a young man from one of the most conservative homes, carrying a dinner bucket. I asked him where he was going, and he said, "to work." Upon further inquiry I learned that he was working in a paper mill in Tama.. About eight men are working there but most prefer farming. Of course there are a few who will not work but the others rent their land and some are cultivating every acre they can get.



A CHRISTIAN FAMILY.
GEORGE MITCHELL, WIFE, AND BABY—
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IDA POWSHIEK AND MARY ONEWAT.
THIS WILL SHOW WHAT IMPROVEMENT SCHOOL MAKES ON THEM. ONE OF THESE GIRLS IS IN HASKELL INSTITUTE, AND THE OTHER ATTENDS DAY SCHOOL HERE.

Then, too, the educational spirit is taking possession of them and most of the children of school age are enrolled either here in the day schools or are away in boarding school. We have six boys and one girl in Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kansas, and the Y. M. C. A. officers report good things of them and some are becoming interested in the C. A. work and all are attending Protestant services there. This is one thing regarding which we must be on the alert. You have no doubt been reading of how Catholicism is forcing itself into Indian tribes everywhere and of President Taft's very unjust action favoring the Roman Church. We must be constantly on the watch in order to protect our people.

We have been greatly blessed in having Christian government employees with whom to co-operate. Our agent has been wanting a transfer but has had his salary raised here instead, and while it has been somewhat of a disappointment to him, yet for the sake of this people we rejoice and are sure he will feel that he has been kept because the Father has something else for him to do here.

We have many encouraging features and while results seem slow to us sometimes, yet as I look back through the past four years I feel we have reason to thank God and take courage. It is a hard road for them and they are a very deliberate people, but they are thinking. Sometimes we cannot understand why the Indian is so hard to reach with the Gospel. I was thinking about this one day this spring when feeling very much discouraged. Miss McGregor was home for her vacation and I was alone. Just then some one knocked at the door and proved to be two Presbyterian ministers who had been attending presbytery in Toledo. In speaking of the work, one said that we often thought it took a long time to bring the Indian to Christ, but when we realized it was the bringing of a nation and not individuals, we need not grow discouraged. It had taken a long time to raise our own race to the present standard (and yet how far from the Christ standard we are) and how long God had patiently borne with the Children of Israel and yet look at them to-day. It put a new light on the question and gave me new hope—"A word spoken in due season, how good it is." I felt God had sent this messenger with this lesson for me.

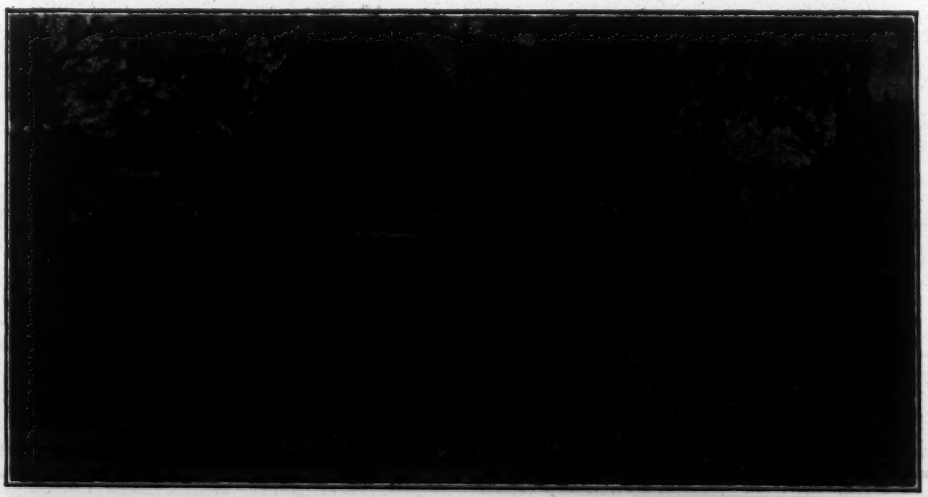
The liquor traffic has been about as thoroughly abolished as law can do it.

THE LITTLE INDIAN GIRL, ELSIE, WHOM WE BROUGHT TO THE MISSION LAST FALL WHEN ALMOST BLIND, AND ALSO MISS McGREGOR AND THE PONY, TED.

There is scarcely any drunkeness on the reservation, in fact I have heard of none since last fall. The Indians themselves have testified so much against the white men who sell to them that they do not dare sell it. It goes to prove many of them are wanting to do better if they were only strong enough to resist the temptation.

One young man who used to drink very hard began to study the Bible last winter. He came here several evenings the first month when we could smell whisky on him. By December he had quit drinking and was a different person entirely. He has not touched it since and says he has no desire to do so. He is making a hard struggle to live a better life, sometimes he gets discouraged, says it is so hard to say "No," but still he doesn't give up and we know that His Grace will be sufficient for every time of need if he will only put his trust in Him.

We had hoped to have a picture for this Magazine, of two young girls who have been quite faithful in attending Sabbath School, but did not find them at home the day we took the camera up to their home. One is a girl of about fourteen who attends the government day school.



THIS HOUSE WAS BUILT BY WILLIAM DAVENPORT, THE OWNER, A HAMPTON STUDENT. HE IS ONE OF OUR MOST PROGRESSIVE INDIANS AND HE IS FURNISHING HIS HOUSE A LITTLE AT A TIME. HIS WIFE IS ONE OF A FEW WHO TAKE PRIDE IN KEEPING THE HOME CLEAN.

She seems interested in her Bible lessons. The other is her aunt, probably seventeen or eighteen years old, and she is almost blind. It is pitiful to see her try to look at the Sabbath School papers and cards and she understands practically no English, and yet she seems to enjoy coming.

One of the pictures in this issue of the Magazine is a family group of a young man and his wife and baby. The father and mother are members of our church, but the mother, and we fear, the father too, has fallen victim to the dread plague of tuberculosis.

Oh friends, can you not see how much we need your prayers? A letter came to us the other day from a member of the Missionary Society at Cedarville, Ohio, telling of a plan they have formed and it is such a good one I would like to recommend it to others. It is this: Their Society is divided into groups of seven each and they write different mission fields, asking for the names of four individuals who need special prayer. These, with the missionaries in charge are to be remembered specially before the Throne of Grace. This is what we need and it not only means great blessing to us but also enlarged interest and great spiritual uplift to those who are praying. May we not have many such letters for, Oh, we have such a list we want to put down for special prayer, and it is such an encouragement to us to know that those at home are supporting us with their prayers.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

NOTE—This correspondence was held because the July number of the Magazine is for the Annual Reports only.—Eds.

INDIA.

DEAR FRIENDS:

Women, as a general thing, are pleased to be invited to a party and if there is anything new in the party line they are more pleased, so when something new was announced in Rawal Pindi, we were very pleased too. The high caste women, who are not allowed to appear in public and who always go veiled we call "in purdah." Parties have been given from time to time by English and American ladies for these women and they are called Purdah parties.

It is a little troublesome to manage the refreshments when Hindu and Mohammedan ladies will not eat together or even in the same room. But the new thing was a Purdah party given by a wealthy Mohammedan lady in honor of an English lady. Miss White, who has been working in the Zenanas here for many years, was asked to assist and she got an invitation for Miss Hamilton and me as we are newcomers here.

We went at the appointed time and found a whole line of closed carriages. A large arch was over the gateway on which were the words in large letters of gilt, "Welcome to Mrs. Kitchin."

The party was given in honor of the wife of the highest civil official in the city. An immense tent had been pitched among some trees. The walls of the tent being used to enclose a large space of ground. Rugs, easy chairs, palms, flowers, Chinese lanterns and flags made the place very oriental and picturesque, but our attention was claimed immediately by the costumes of the women. They had

laid aside their veils and were very gorgeous in all the colors of the rainbow and literally were covered with gold ornaments. One woman, not at all young, had her cheeks and lips painted a bright red. She wore a red velvet *kurta* (skirt) embroidered almost all over in gold, a waistcoat of black velvet also embroidered in gold, green velvet *sutans* (trousers,) purple stockings and pale blue satin slippers. A thin gauze veil, black with gold spangles and gold ornaments on wrists, ankles, neck, head, nose and ears. Others were as handsomely dressed with other combinations of colors. Each mind was filled with pride in her own greatness and an ambition to be the richest dressed and most honored person there.

There were about a dozen English ladies and between sixty and seventy-five Indian ladies, Hindu ladies who not long since would not have shaken hands with us for fear of defilement. Mohammedan ladies and Indian Christian ladies and some of the Hindu ladies *ate* with the Mohammedans and Christians! Even after explaining about fifty times our not being married, we still had time for a word here and there about the One who died to save them.

It was a splendid opportunity for us to meet and get acquainted with these women and otherwise it might have taken us years to get an entrance into their homes. We have called on some of them since and the Purdah party was a bond of sympathy and made an opening for conversation. Two other Purdah parties have been given since. One by a very rich man, a Sikh, in honor of Lady Dane, the wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, where everything was done on a very grand scale and the refreshments furnished by the best caterer in the city.

There was more formality and a few hurt feelings because some were not presented with all their honors and titles.

The last one in a Christian home was the best of all. Christianity and Education can produce most charming ladies, and not one woman there but must have felt the difference and perhaps had a longing to be honored by husband and father as our hostess and her daughter are. To be clever and entertaining like them and above all to have the peace and joy which was shining on their faces.

The women of India are awakening as these parties indicate.

Will you not pray that they may awake to the hopelessness of their old religions and be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ.

MARY A. LAWRENCE.

EGYPT.

American Mission, Zagazig, Egypt.

DEAR FRIENDS:

The year's work — as we count by school years— is again nearing a close, and it is possible that friends at home may be interested in hearing a bit of what the year has meant to the work in Zagazig.

As to the girls' schools, both the central one and the primary school in another part of town, have been full, in spite of the opening of a large new Moslem school which we had feared might rob us of some of our girls. Hence, we feel that, as to numbers, we have been blessed. My earnest prayer these days is that we may be further blessed with an out-pouring of the spirit of Christ upon our girls that they may know and love the Master, and, for His sake, delight in serving others. They are so very proud, so unwilling to render service to others lest it be considered menial. Last week we took with us, to the Delta Presbyterial meeting, one of our larger girls. One of the things she mentioned particularly, in giving an account of the day, after her return, was the fact that one of the Monsura school girls had offered to clean a lady's shoes of the mud which clung to them from the muddy street. Never in her life, apparently, had the girl been so impressed with the beauty of humility.

This year has brought Zagazig, also, a Bible woman who is doing earnest and faithful work among the women. The other day a messenger called at her door begging, rather demanding, that she come immediately to see a woman who was possessed by Satan. Sitt Bista was somewhat frightened, but went. When she entered the house, the people request-

ed that she sing. She sang, and as she sang, the demon-possessed woman waved her arms, shouting and shrieking in such dreadful tones that the Bible woman, blind and unable to tell exactly what was happening, was thoroughly frightened. The people in the house told her not to fear, that "he," the demon, always acted so when one sang. They further told her that the woman wanted to go to church but "he" would not let her and she feared to disobey lest "he" scream during the service. They had hoped that Sitt Bista's singing would cast "him" out. Next week they will make for the poor woman a "zaar" and, with the customary beating of drums and various crude and heathenish ceremonies endeavor to drive away the demon. Such things are not at all uncommon here. Some poor women "fake" demon possession in order to wrest from reluctant husbands a longed-bit of jewelry or new dress, for the departing demon makes always one request that *must* be granted. But there are other cases which seem identical with those of the Lord's own days on earth. Will you not pray that Egypt may soon be brought to the Christ, that the love and knowledge of the Master, which have made such things unknown in other lands, may free this land also of her bondage to Satan?

There is so much in the work to encourage—increased Sabbath School attendance, earnest prayer-meetings for both men and women, and constant opportunities to speak here and there a word. May we, for His sake, be found faithful!

Very sincerely yours,
ELSIE M. FRENCH.

CAIRO.

DEAR FRIENDS:

There was communion in the Central Church, Cairo, on March 31st, and five were received into the Church on profession of their faith in Jesus. One had been a Mohammedan, and received the ordinance of baptism before the service. It was a beautiful day. The sun was bright, and the air balmy. The church was well-filled on both sides of the curtain.

We were glad to have had Dr. M. G. Kyle and his family with us, though only for a very short time, on their return from upper Egypt.

The home people can hardly realize what a pleasure it is to have such interested people with us.

This year we have certainly been most highly favored by having both, the President and the Secretary of our Board with us for a time. Visits from such ones are like water to the thirsty land.

We are delighted to hear of the large accessions to some of our churches in the home land. Certainly the Lord is blessing the preached word.

I feel that our Bible women, those who teach from house to house, are becoming more earnest, and feeling their responsibility more than they have done in times past. Their work is much harder than it used to be.

The new houses are much higher than the old ones, and the upper flats are much cheaper than the lower ones. We only find the elevators in the very best houses. This evening at five there is a young men's prayer meeting in Mr. Neal McClanahan's house.

Mrs. Butcher, wife of a former English clergyman, at six, addresses the "Christian Endeavor" on the Coptic Church. At eight-thirty, we have our weekly prayer-meeting.

Many prayers are being offered these days and we are trusting and believing.

H. M. HARVEY.

OUR MOSLEM SISTERS

THIS PAGE IS DEVOTED TO

Work Among Moslem Women

EDITED BY

MISS MINNEHAHA FINNEY, EGYPT

(Home on Furlough, Beloit, Kansas.)

Divorce is the great curse which blights domestic happiness in Moslem lands.

Some incidents will illustrate the various circumstances which cause divorce or are excuses for it.

Abraham, the carpenter, came to his employer one day asking for an advance of wages. "Why?" was asked. "I am going to get married," he said, "and it costs much money." Then he proceeded to relate his domestic troubles, how he had lived with his one wife sixteen years, explaining that he deserved much credit for doing so, seeing that his father during his life-time had indulged in thirty-nine wives, but that he had come to the point where he had to divorce this wife as she really did talk too much, so of course he would have to marry another.

A happy mother had one little son whom she loved dearly. He was accidently burned to death. The poor grief-stricken mother mourned and wept so much and so long that she became nearly blind. Because she had no more children, her husband divorced her. In time she talked of marrying again. The missionary who had visited her often and comforted her in her sorrow, remonstrated on the grounds of her former experience. She answered by saying, "A divorced woman must either marry again or else live a life of sin."

There was a man who was fairly well-to-do and was considered by his neighbors as being very respectable. The first wife was a very nice woman but had no son, so her husband divorced her and married another. Still there was no son, so he married a third. It was believed he did not divorce the second wife, but pretended to do so to please the third, who would not consent to being one of the two wives. After a while a son was born to the third and so his first wife was brought back to the house as nurse to the child. She was the most lady-like of the three wives, but she had to carry the baby and walk behind the mother like a servant. When the baby died, the parents quarrelled. Number three left the house and went into the country. The husband at once brought back number two, whereupon number three returned in a rage and number two was turned out of the house. On the next quarrel with number three the man married a fourth time—a girl younger than his daughter by his first wife.

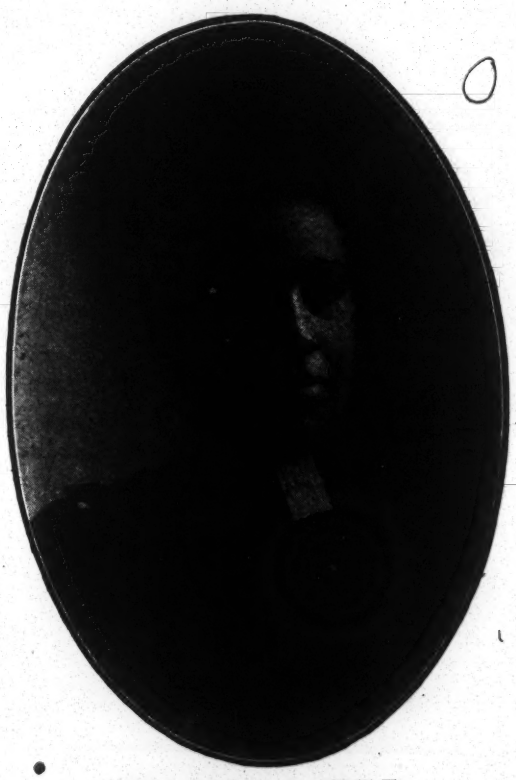
The house of Ali might be supposed to be rather a religious one, for the mother of the family has performed the pilgramage to Mecca and one of the sons is a howling dervish. Here we were introduced to a young bride, wife of a brother of the dervish. Calling again a few months later, we found another bride, the one we had seen on our former visit having been divorced. The third time we went, the first was there again and the second had been divorced. The woman had been married to another man and divorced by him during the short time of separation from the first husband, and when the latter wished to have her back her parents could not agree about allowing the marriage and quarrelled so much that they divorced each other. The time occupied by these proceedings was between a year and eighteen months. Here were six persons concerned, and four marriages and four divorces had taken place.

They need our Christ and we must tell them about Him.

THE CHURCH MOURNS THE DEATH OF MISS ELLA O. KYLE.

By Mrs. H. C. Campbell,
Foreign Secretary of Women's Board.

EDITORS' NOTE.— The next issue of our Women's Missionary Magazine will contain the study of our Missions in Egypt and the Sudan. In the September number a fuller tribute and account of Ella Kyle will appear.



MISS ELLA O. KYLE.

A TELEGRAM from our Foreign Board was lying on the desk of the writer upon her return from a missionary itinerary, saying, "Egypt cables death of Miss Ella O. Kyle." How hard it is to realize that the strong woman whom we saw at the head of the Girls' College in Cairo, one year ago has passed to her eternal reward. Her illness was of short duration.

She was born in Cedarville, Ohio, and received her education in the Xenia Ladies' Seminary and the Indiana State Normal.

Confessing Christ at an early age, she longed for some special field of service, and therefore offered herself to the Church as a foreign missionary, sailing from the home land to Egypt on December 23, 1882. During her first term of service she labored in the Pressly Memorial Institute, Assiut, beginning there her wonderful work for the girls of Egypt. Nine years after her first sailing she came home on her first furlough in August, 1891. Upon her return to her chosen field in November, 1892, she was appointed President of the Girls' Boarding School in Cairo. Here she labored with such consecrated enthusiasm and with such marked success that the Missionary Association of Egypt decided that a demand had been created for the establishment of a Girls' College in Cairo.

During her second furlough, which began March 18, 1903, after a service without a break, of ten and one-half years, she gave a great deal of her time to stirring up an interest in, and soliciting contributions for, the new Girls' College building which has now become her monument. Upon her return to Egypt for the third time she watched with unflagging interest the completion of the beautiful building which was being erected under the supervision of our veteran missionaries, Drs. Watson and Ewing. The furnishing and equipment of the college was the next difficulty to face. All the missionaries were constant in prayer, and after every possible effort had been made there was still one thousand dollars lacking. With characteristic unselfishness our beloved Miss Kyle offered to give the Mission her salary for two years if it would borrow

the money and thus make it possible to open the college. Very reluctantly that willing sacrifice was accepted and she had the joy of beginning her grand work for the daughters of Egypt in the beautiful new building.

This story was to be kept a precious secret, for she did not wish the Church to know anything about her consecrated gift, and if she were living it would not be told now.

While we were enjoying the hospitality of the college last June, the question of her next furlough came up. When she told us she was not going home before 1913, we wondered, for we knew that it was due in 1912 at the latest, and upon urging her for a reason for the delay as she needed the rest so much, she very unwillingly told us she must keep her word with the Mission. How our hearts were touched as we listened to the story, we could only say, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all." She could not leave her beloved work to come to the dear home-land and her loved ones, but her Master had lovingly planned that she should go home to Him and the dear ones in the better land. Had she lived until next autumn she would have completed thirty years of missionary service.

How glad we were to find out after an interview with the jeweler that she had received the little broach from the Women's General Missionary Society which they sent her in loving appreciation of her life-work. It is a circle of laurel leaves enclosing a golden cross and crown, set with pearls and amethysts. She has received the imperishable crown of everlasting life from Him whom she knew was the Pearl of great price and whose cross she held before the women of Egypt as the only way by which sin and death and the grave could be conquered. No earthly estimate can be put upon her example and labor. We who mourn her loss rejoice in her triumphant life and in the knowledge that she won many to a saving faith in Jesus Christ.

Her funeral services were conducted in the church in the mission building at Cairo. As the casket containing the precious remains was carried up the aisle by six of our missionaries the weeping of her loved pupils was distinctly audible. A large company of people were present to testify to the faithfulness and love of the life that had been taken from earth to heaven.

At the cemetery a leading lawyer of Egypt made a most impressive and beautiful address, testifying to the value of the work which this departed friend had given to the daughters of Egypt.

The members of the mission and hundreds of others whose lives she had touched feel sadly bereft although they know that she has entered into everlasting life. Her example shall continue to influence and persuade all who knew her to give themselves unreservedly to the Master whom she loved and served so well.

We do not know who will fill her place, but we do know that her death was precious in His sight and that her works shall follow her. Pray for her sorrowing relatives and friends in this land, but also remember the stricken pupils and teachers in the college and the other missionaries in Egypt who have been so sorely bereaved, before the throne of Him who doeth all things well. This little tribute is written by one who loved her, knowing that others will write testimonials worthy of the grand woman whose loss we mourn.

EDITORIAL.

MESSAGE FROM THE FOREIGN SECRETARY OF THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

The readers of the Magazine will be glad to know that the following named young women have heard the Master's call for workers in our foreign fields and have offered themselves to His service:

Miss Olive R. Laing
Dr. B. I. Shannon
Miss Olive T. Mason
Miss Mabel B. Dickey
Miss Lois McCracken
Miss Minnie E. Beatty
Miss Mary M. Pattison
Miss Jeanette Hopkins

All have had a very rigid medical examination and in that, as well as all other particulars, have measured up to the high ideals required.

Those of the Egyptian party sail September 7th.. Those of the Indian party sail September 11th. All are expected to attend the New Wilmington Conference from August 16th to 26th. At the close of this Conference they are to remain over for a few days to have conference and prayer with representatives of the Foreign Board, our Board and returning missionaries.

They are also expected to attend language study classes under the leadership of Rev. Thomas Cummings, D. D., from August 20th to 30th.

You will see by the foregoing arrangements that most of them will take leave of their friends and home before the 16th of August and that they will be hard at work in preparation for their future career up to almost the day of sailing.

The Monongahela Presbytery and the Women's Board are uniting in a Farewell Reception to be given to all returning and outgoing missionaries, on the evening of September 2nd.

May we earnestly ask that every member of the Women's General Missionary Society will be much in prayer that God may lead and guide during the days of these conferences and also watch over our friends as they embark on their long journeys to their distant fields of labor; that He will take them in safety to their desired haven and give them all a great spiritual blessing that they may be mighty weapons in His hands for the conversion of many souls to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Three other candidates have offered themselves, so that we hope in the next issue of our beloved Magazine to add at least three new names to our missionary force. Surely the Master is hearing our prayers and "thrusting out" those whom He has chosen as His ambassadors.

The Foreign Missionary Society of the First Church, Allegheny, has decided to undertake the erection and furnishment of one of the cottages in the Girls' School at Sangla Hill, India. It is to be a memorial of Mrs. John T. Pressly and Mrs. W. J. Robinson, the only pastors' wives which this congregation has had in all its history, both of whom have joined their husbands and other loved ones in the better country. We owe much to this, the oldest missionary society in our church for its prayerful interest in the work of the General Missionary Society.

We hope to have the latest news concerning the Foreign Department on this page of the Magazine every month and shall be glad to reply through this medium to any general questions, concerning the work, that may be sent to,

Your Friend,

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL, Foreign Secretary,

6410 Beacon Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

With this issue the Women's Missionary Magazine begins its twenty-sixth year of publication.

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Beginning with the September number a list of new subscribers taken at the Chicago Convention will appear.

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The July number contains the Annual Report of the year's work of the Women's Board; also the report of the W. G. M. Convention at Chicago. We still have a few copies of this issue. *Price 10 cents per copy.*

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Read the July Magazine not only as a report of the year's work completed, but as a guide book for the next year's work undertaken.

The annual reports of the Secretaries of our Women's Board indicate the plans and need of the coming year.

This report is necessary for intelligent work in every society. Let every woman feel it her obligation to know what the women of the United Presbyterian Church are doing. There will be fewer mistakes in remittances of money as well as more intelligent disbursing of funds if the annual report is well studied by our women.

MRS. N. H. BROWN.

Mrs. N. H. Brown of Monmouth, Ill., was called to her eternal home May 12th, after several years' semi-invalidism.

Mrs. Brown was a life member of the Women's General Missionary Society, a subscriber and friend of the Women's Missionary Magazine. She was, when able, at many of the Annual Meetings. Conspicuous for her zeal and enthusiasm for advancing the cause of Missions, especially through the women's organized work. Many friends in her own locality as well as those who were accustomed to meet Mrs. Brown in attendance at temperance and missionary conventions, will read the notice of her departure with regret and recall her many good deeds and intelligent service at these conventions. "No life can be good in its service and all life not better thereby."

It is a lonely feeling in the community as well as in the home when a friend of Christ is taken. In the death of Mrs. Brown a large circle testify to her faithful Christian service.

STUDY FOR THE MONTH.

SEPTEMBER — FREEDMAN AND AMERICAN INDIAN MISSIONS.

Bible Reading—Matthew 25:31-46.

Roll Call—Name our mission stations in the Southland.

Topics for Study.

1. Fifty years from Slavery: The development of the negro by the aid of Christian Missions, a review of the work done, agricultural, industrial, educational, spiritual.

2. The womanhood of the negro race, a source of power if educated.

3. What should mission boxes contain to be most helpful to our Freedmen mission stations needing them.

Our American Indian Missions.

1. Peculiar difficulties of mission work among the Red men.

2. The efforts of our women missionary societies should be increased to evangelize the tribes under our care.

3. Our missions to the Red men.

THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT

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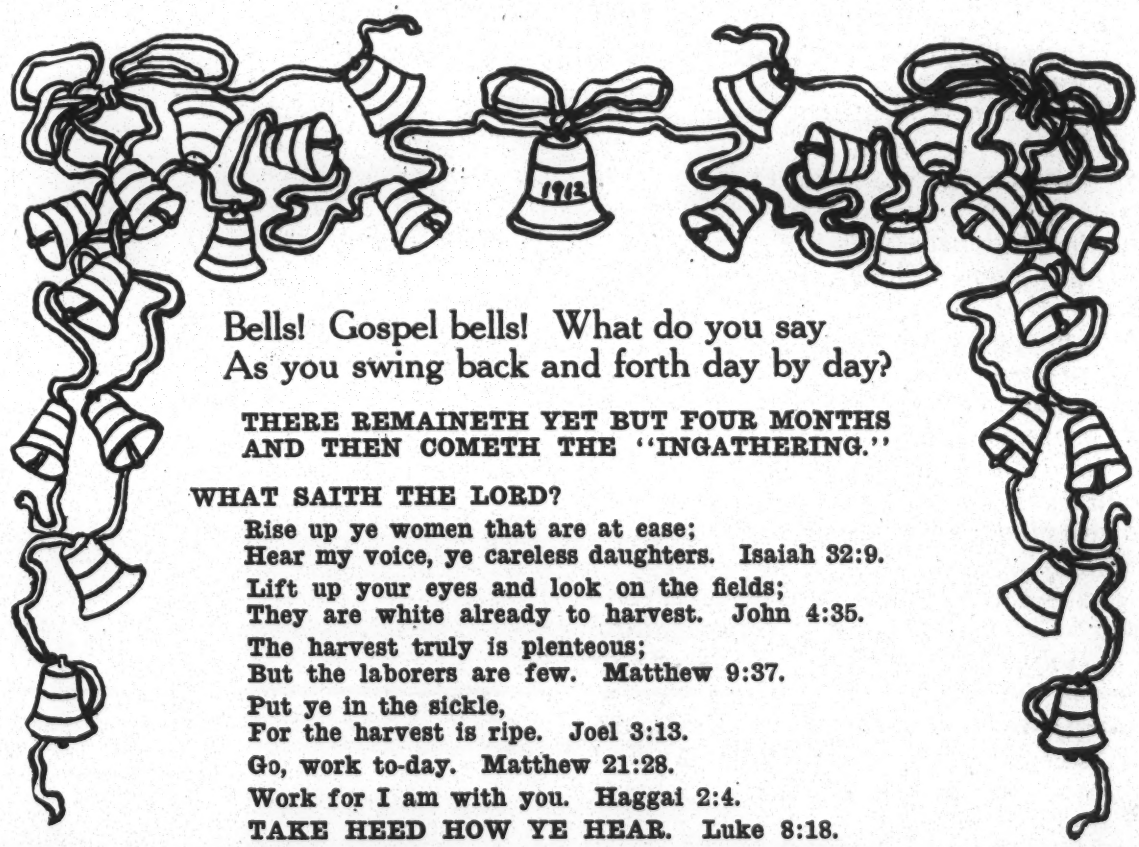

Bells! Gospel bells! What do you say
As you swing back and forth day by day?

THERE REMAINETH YET BUT FOUR MONTHS AND THEN COMETH THE "INGATHERING."

WHAT SAITH THE LORD?

Rise up ye women that are at ease;
Hear my voice, ye careless daughters. Isaiah 32:9.

Lift up your eyes and look on the fields;
They are white already to harvest. John 4:35.

The harvest truly is plenteous;
But the laborers are few. Matthew 9:37.

Put ye in the sickle,
For the harvest is ripe. Joel 3:13.

Go, work to-day. Matthew 21:28.

Work for I am with you. Haggai 2:4.

TAKE HEED HOW YE HEAR. Luke 8:18.

TREASURED PIECES.

In several instances treasured pieces of silver and gold which have been laid up in store for some special call, are being brought out and laid upon God's altar as gifts of love and gratitude in memory of the dear owners who have long since "been called up higher." Could there be a more beautiful or fitting time to call forth such precious treasures and dedicate them to the Lord's cause than during this Silver Anniversary Thank-Offering Year—1912?

With such sacrifices, God is well pleased... Hebrews 13:16.

May not the living thus claim the promise—The Lord shall open to thee his good treasure. Deut. 28:12.

"LINE UPON LINE."

A GENTLE REMINDER.

Reader, do you know—

That—1912 marks the Silver Anniversary of the Thank-Offering movement of the Women's General Missionary Society?

That—an effort is being made in all parts of the church to have the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Thank-Offering the largest in the history of the movement?

That—SPECIAL EFFORT should be put forth in every congregation to have at least one name of a woman, or man, added to the list of Life Members, through the payment of $25.00, by an individual, by family, by friend, by con-

gregation, or by society, (over and above the box offerings,) toward the erection of a much-needed Girls' Boarding School at Tanta, Egypt, as a Silver Anniversary Memorial?

That—the Junior boys and girls are rapidly coming into line in the "Five Hundred Procession" of Life Members, through the payment of $10.00 each?

That—individuals and societies are adding the names of favorite missionaries, and their children, to the Life Membership roll?

That—fathers, brothers, husbands and sons are aiding the good cause at Tanta, by contributing the necessary fees to add the names of their loved ones to the Life Membership list?

That—even children are earning the money that their mothers may have a place in the highly favored list?

That—some of the larger and stronger congregations are adding names more and more to their lists to help bring up the total number of Life Members before January 1, 1913, to average at least one to every congregation in the denomination?

That—this generous movement on their part will not excuse any congregation, *financially able,* from adding its one or more to the Thank-Offering list?

That—Life Members have the same privileges as delegates at the Annual Conventions of the Women's General Missionary Society?

That the names of all Life Members will be kept on the roll of givers to missions, and when called to their reward, the names will be transferred to the list of "Crowned Ones?"

SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

Reader, do you know—

That—special offerings from individuals or societies, (over and above the regular offerings through the Thank-Offering boxes,) can be designated for any department of work under the care of the Women's General Missionary Society?

That—all special offerings and Life Membership fees can be counted in with the box offerings, in the Thank-Offering report blanks for the year 1912, but care must be taken to specify said sums in the report?

That—every woman, older or younger, whose name is on the church roll should have some part, however small it must needs be, in celebrating the Silver Anniversary of the Thank-Offering movement, which in twenty-four years has brought $713,344.75 into the treasury of the Women's Board for missions?

That—Junior leaders should plan to have their 15,000 members to have some part in swelling the 1912 Thank-Offering to the large proportions it should be before the close of the year?

That—by giving Thank-Offerings, God's people are accepting His invitation, given centuries ago, through King Hezekiah: "Come near and bring Thank-Offerings into the house of the Lord"?

IN MEMORIAM.

The July Magazine, page 413, gives in full a memorial from the women of Chartiers Presbyterial, which was heartily adopted by the Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society, held at Chicago, Illinois, May 14-17, 1912.

This Presbyterial, recognizing the debt the entire church owes to one who in every sense was a pioneer worker in behalf of women's work for women, and who perhaps more than any other helped in the early days of 1875-77 to organize local societies into Presbyterials, asks that $10,000 be given as a memorial of Mrs. Sarah Foster Hanna to establish schools for girls in Egypt and India.

The alumni of the Girls' Seminary in Washington, Pa., of which Mrs. Hanna was the honored principal for many years, are taking great interest in contributing to this memorial fund, and the name of every alumnus should be enrolled as a giver, but, as the friends in Chartiers Presbyterial say, "The women of the United Presbyterian Church today occupy their advanced position in missionary activities because of the blessing of our Heavenly Father upon the earnest Christian life of this consecrated woman who was enabled to look ahead and plan great things for us," hence, all the workers of to-day should have some part in making up the sum of $10,000

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to be presented during the Silver Anniversary Thank-Offering Service of the Convention, to be held at Washington, Pa., in May, 1913.

☞ **NOTE.—Gifts should be given over and above the regular offerings through the boxes, and care must be taken to forward contributions to this fund to Mrs. M. M. Barr, Treasurer of the Chartiers Presbyterial Committee, who has been designated Treasurer for the Sarah Foster Memorial Fund.**

SPECIAL GIFTS FOR 1912 THANK-OFFERING.

Miss Ann Wilson, Sewickley, Pa., has very generously contributed $1400.00 for erecting and furnishing one of the cottages for the Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill, India.

The seventy-three year old Foreign Missionary Society of First Church, Allegheny, has pledged $1400 toward a cottage at Sangla Hill, India, in memory of Mrs. John T. Pressly and Mrs. W. J. Robinson, the only pastors' wives the congregation has had in its long history. The money will be paid into the treasury of the society by the individual members, over and above their regular Thank-Offerings through their boxes.

Mrs. Elizabeth McCartney, Moon Township, Allegheny County, Pa., left in her will two shares of stock in a large shoe company in Pittsburgh for the Women's General Missionary Society, the income from which is to be given annually to the Thank-Offering fund. (A beautiful bequest.)

THE AUGUST LIST OF LIFE MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY, FOR THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY THANK-OFFERING, 1912.

SENIOR LIFE MEMBERS.

$25.00 Each.

Mrs. U. S. Armstrong, Parnassus, Pa.
Mrs. C. S. Apgar, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. D. A. Monlux, Garner, Iowa.
Mrs. Howard Jamison, Canon City, Colorado.
Mrs. W. M. Hughes, Oakmont, Pa.
Mrs. J. R. Nelson, Washington, Iowa.
Mrs. J. A. Ferguson, Washington, Ia.
Mrs. W. J. Hamilton, Washington, Ia.
Miss Ruth Work, Assiut, Egypt.
Miss Sallie A. Aiken, Bellefontaine, Ohio.
Miss Margaret Gilfillan, Bridgeville, Pa.
Mrs. C. W. Martin, Castle Shannon, Pa.
Mrs. S. P. Montgomery, Homestead, Pa.
Mrs. Agnes Barrackman, West Union, Pa.
Mrs. Weaver White, Paxton, Ill.
Mrs. L. R. Free, St. Clairsville, Ohio.
Mrs. J. Elmer Campbell, New Castle, Pa.
Miss Emma Dean Anderson, India.
Miss Anna Y. Thompson, Cairo, Egypt.
Mrs. C. F. Fullwood, Ingram, Pa.

JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERS.

$10.00 Each

Elizabeth Randles, Vandergrift, Pa.
Esther Pollock, Denver, Colo.
Samuel Cook McClay, McDonald, Pa.
Catherine Kelso, McDonald, Pa.
Mildred Mankedick, Gregg's Station, Pa.
Mary Shane, McDonald, Pa.
Samuel Shane, McDonald, Pa.
Frederick Kelso, McDonald, Pa.
Margaret Sherbondy, Jamestown, Pa.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. D. A. Monlux, for 16 years treasurer, was made Life Member of the Women's General Missionary Society by Cedar Rapids Presbyterial.

Mrs. Jamieson—by the Women's Missionary Society of Canon City, Colorado.

Mrs. Hughes—by the Oakmont, Pa., Society.

Miss Work—by Young Women's Missionary Society, Fort Morgan, Colo.

Mrs. White—by her husband.

Mrs. Free—by Women's Missionary Society, St. Clairsville,, Ohio.

Mrs. Campbell—by Ladies' Missionary Society, Third Church, New Castle, Pa.

The others whose names are in the list, we infer have contributed the fees necessary to make themselves Life Members as no facts were sent the editor of this department for "Personal Notes."

JUNIOR PERSONAL NOTES.

Elizabeth Randles was made a Life Member by the Junior Society of First Church, Vandergrift, Pa.

Margaret Sherbondy — by her aunt, Margaret Gamble.

Samuel McClay—by his grand-father, Mr. Samuel Cook.

Catherine Kelso—by her grand aunt, Miss Kate Shane.

Mildred Mankedick—by her parents.

Mary and Samuel Shane—by their grand-father, Mr. James Wallace.

Frederick Kelso—by his uncle, Matthew Kelso.

The last six Life Members are from Robinson Run, Pa. Junior Society. Can any Junior Society in the Church exceed this number?

SUMMER BLESSINGS.

God's blessings are often the richest and most plentiful in the Summer days, and He expects His people to prove their gratitude even in their vacation times. So, do not forget your pretty dime boxes by land or by sea.

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INDIAN NAMES.

MRS. L. H. SIGOURNEY.

Ye say they all have passed away,
That noble race and brave,
That their light canoes have vanished
From off their crested wave;
That 'mid the forests where they roam
There rings no hunter's shout;
But their name is on your waters,
Ye may not wash it out!

'Tis where Ontario's billow
Like ocean's surge is curled,
Where strong Niagara's thunders wake
The echoes of the world;
Where red Missouri bringeth
Rich tributes from the west;
And Rappahannock sweetly sleeps
On green Virginia's breast.

Ye say their cone-like cabins,
That clustered o'er the vale,
Have fled away like withered leaves
Before the autumn gale;
But their memory liveth on your hills,
Their baptism on your shore
Your everlasting rivers speak
Their dialect of yore.

Old Massachussetts wears it
Within her lordly crown,
And broad Ohio bears it
Amid her young renown;
Connecticut hath wreathed it
Where her quiet foliage waves,
And bold Kentucky breathes it hoarse
Through all her ancient caves.

Wachuset hides its lingering voice
Within his rocky heart,
And Allegheny graves its tone
Throughout his lofty chart;
Monadnock on his forehead hoar
Doth seal the sacred trust;
Your mountains build their monuments,
Though ye destroy their dust.

TOPICS FOR SEPTEMBER.

Freedmen and American Indian Mission.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM.

SING—Nos. 5; 89; 81; 75; 136.

PRAYER—Season for Freedmen and Indians, making special mention of the missionaries among them.

BIBLE READING—Promise to Abram.

Hebrews confined this to themselves.—Genesis 12: 1-5; 28;14.

God's larger thought—all the families of the earth as interpreted by Peter and Paul.—Acts 3:25; Gal. 3:8.

In God's law given through Moses there were special enactments to protect the stranger and to secure for him a square deal.—Exodus 23:9-12; Deut. 24:17-24.

A spirit of sympathetic charity and brotherhood was to characterize the relations of the chosen people with strangers. —Deut. 31:12; Lev. 19:34; 24:22.

Are these laws binding to-day?—Matt. 5:17,18.

Note Paul's regard for the law and the even higher standard for Christians.—Gal. 3:24-29.

All one in Christ Jesus.—Romans 3:31.

Before God's people could be prepared to go to foreign nations to proclaim the name of their God they had to learn to maintain the right attitude toward the strangers that were brought into their midst as 'hewers of wood and drawers of water.' The strangers were to share their law, their responsibilities and privileges, and their God."

QUESTIONS FOR THOUGHT.—What has Christian America to learn from the ancient Hebrews regarding its most vexing problems—the Negro, the Indian and the Immigrant? If any nation is to be a blessing to all the families of the earth, where must its influence begin?

PERSONAL THOUGHT. — What branches of the "families of the earth" am I brought into daily contact with? What is my attitude toward them as I meet them in school, shop or street car? How can I apply Lev. 19:34 in my daily life?

ROLL CALL.—Names of missionaries among Freedmen and Indians.

"No wrong done Indians of this land is greater than our leaving so many of them to this day in the darkness of heathenism and superstition. Thousands with a mild surprise still reply, when the Christian herald comes to them: "Nobody ever told us that story before.' Six thousand children of the most neglected tribe are without church or school."

CONTRASTS.—(1). My view of the race problem. By a Southern young woman, who tells of conditions in her family during the war and reconstruction period. (2). My view of the race problem. By a Northern young woman.

PAPER.—Forces that are helping solve the problem.

MAP DRILL.—Locate United Presbyterian stations among Freedmen and Indians. Members giving one minute talks on the work being done.

NUGGETS.

The story of the Indian can be written in two words: "Driven Out.". And ours in three: "Fair Promises Broken."

OUR DEBT TO THE INDIAN.

We owe him—

1. *A clear title to a piece of land.*
2. *The education of his children.*
3. *Medical aid for the sick.*
4. *The Gospel of Christ.*

"The Indian is not 'dying out.' The latest census shows 326,000 Indians in the United States—an increase of 26,000 within ten years."

"If the white man keeps the Negro in the gutter he must stay there with him. The white man and his civilization, not alone the Negro, will rise, or fall, by that ethical test. So will the civilization of the whole world rise or fall in accordance with the treatment bestowed by the higher races upon the lower races. In forty years the Negro has advanced a distance that would have been surprising in almost any race."

ATTENTION, LEADERS!

Before leading a meeting make it a matter of prayer, then write out your aim,defining exactly what you desire to accomplish in the meeting. This will lend interest and definiteness to the work.

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S HOUR.

The clock has struck the hour! The chimes do not indicate cause for alarm, but rather rare opportunity. Time to arise to greater things! Many young women *are* wide awake, yet may not the words of *Isa 32:9* hold a warning for those of our generation who are thoughtless and indifferent? A new day is being ushered in. Let us improve each minute.

Our young women have been waiting for years for the definite call. In 1903, they were first led by a secretary of their very own. In 1906, the matter of doing a special work was formally presented to them, and in 1908, their Thank-Offering was individually noted in the Annual Report. They have responded to each advance nobly, doing better in every line each year than the preceding year.

The call of the hour comes not only to the nearly *six thousand* young women who have already registered in the service, to proceed to greater and nobler things, but to the *thirty thousand* or more possible ones of sixteen years of age and up, who are standing idly by, sharing in neither the good deeds nor the blessings of the Young Women's work.

Various reasons are given for not being lined up in the service, such as "being teachers;" "too tired after the hard tasks of the office or store;" "Too many evenings already taken;" "living in a rural district;" "too much expense connected with it;" and many others. Again, we hear about those who express their admiration for the workers and their sympathy in the cause! When you were a little girl and a whole table of unwashed dishes loomed up before you as your task, you appreciated some one whose hand deftly applied the tea-towel very much more than the on-looker who exclaimed on your ability to do nice work, "Never even *chips* one piece of china!" Or who commiserated you on your lot by saying, "Poor child! She *has* hard work to do!"

Surely, there is a *definite* line of service for every intelligent young Christian; it may be in an obscure place or in one more noted, yet *a work to be done.* One thing in which every young woman may have a real part is in the work specially assigned to young women. The college opens the door to the Young Women's Christian Association. Many girls become attached to this form of service to the exclusion of any other line. College spirit holds them to it after their graduation. Others respond to the popular club idea and find their time fully consumed in Playgrounds Associations and Free Kindergartens. These are noble institutions and deserve the highest loyalty of our young women, but the church calls for those who will carry forward the *special work* of the Kingdom, *missionary activity.* May not the Master's words be applied here: "These ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone."

Ally yourself with the force that is doing more than the combined agencies of man's invention to civilize the world —Christian missions. If the present membership of the Young Women's Societies, enforced by the thirty thousand who are yet inactive, will invest in this work their possible energy and interest and consecrated thought, the individual societies will become full of zeal, the local congregations will teem with energy, the broken ranks at the front will be replaced and enough workers will be sent out to meet the needs. Countless millions will soon hear the "sweet story." "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

"Rome was not built in a day." The Young Women's work may progress slowly; but remember! Rome was built! And as truly will the young women arise to their opportunity and do that which has been designed for them by the "Master Workman." Rome's glory faded Not so will the Young Women's work die out, but will rather grow in splendor as these young Christians rise in power and take their righful places and do their allotted tasks. Their strength is of the Lord.

The hour has struck! Time to begin in earnest! Are there not numberless young women of the United Presbyterian Church who will joyously respond to the Master's "*Come, work to-day in my vineyard*"?

IDA B. LITTLE.

TIDINGSS FROM SECOND CHURCH, TOPEKA, KANSAS.

Our hearts were gladdened when we heard that the Young Women of Lawrence, Kansas had organized in January, a missionary society in their own church, for until that time ours was the only Young Women's Society in our presbyterial.

We have just completed the ninth year of interest in missionary activities, and have at present an enrollment of fourteen members. We are looking forward with a great deal of interest toward the enrollment of many of the remaining two-thirds of the young women of our church, during this coming year.

During the year just past, in addition to giving our subscription of former years to the Young Women's Special

Work, we, hoping to raise enough to pay for the support of a girl in the school under the direction of Miss Criswell in Assiut, Egypt, took up a subscription and we rejoice to state that, not only did we reach the $35.00 mark, but our pledge amounted to $50.00 for this work.

We feel especially interested in the work of the schools in Egypt owing to the fact that less than two years ago, one of our loyal members, who was so willing to help in every good work, being constrained by the love of Christ, answered the command of her Master to "go," and is now teaching in one of the schools in that far-away land.

We feel that of ourselves we can do nothing, but we trust that Christ may guide us in every step, and through Him we may be strengthened to do all things, and may the Lord grant that it may be said of each one of us, as of Mary of old, "She hath done what she could."

CLARIBEL WILLIAMSON.

WINONA SUMMER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS. JUNE 21-29.

The eighth session of the Winona Summer School of Missions was a signal success. The weather was ideal, the attendance excellent, and the program an unusually strong one.

The enrollment, a gain of 100 over last year, numbered 355 women from 17 states, representing 16 denominations. The Presbyterians enrolled the largest number, 137, the Methodists following with 73, and the Baptists with 47. The spirit of unity brooded over all. Only three United Presbyterians were present, but Mrs. Dague of Chicago, in some measure, made up the lack by leading the singing most acceptably.

The program centered around the textbooks to be used in the United Study Course next year, the first three week days being devoted to "China's New Day," by Dr. Headland, and the last three to "Mormonism, the Islam of America," by Dr. Kinney. Both authors were present, which meant volumes of additional interesting matter.

The entire program was so good it is difficult to make selection for report, but these features stood out prominently—The Morning Call to Prayer, in charge of Mrs. C. E. Vickers; the Sectional Conferences, led by experts; the Twilight Conferences with Missionaries; the Normal Study Class, and the discussion of "China's New Day," led by Mr. C. B. Milliken; the masterly presentation of China's claims, by Dr. Headland; and the stirring lectures on Mormonism, by Mrs. D. B. Wells and Mr. Hans P. Freece.

Young Women's Day was a most popular innovation this year, coming as it did on Wednesday. It not only attracted a large number of young women to the entire program, but in addition furnished a welcome break in the otherwise strenuous week.

Already large plans are being made for next year for the committee in charge is one of vision and recognizes the possibilities for power in this School for Missions. May many more be constrained to take advantage of its yearly program, and may the inspiration here engendered be converted into active measures for hastening the coming of our Lord's Kingdom.

ANNA BELL FERRIER.

NEW SOCIETIES.

Three new societies have been reported to the Secretary since the Chicago Convention:

The "Lois Buchanan" Mission Circle, Ninth Avenue Church of Monmouth, Illinois. It has a membership of fourteen. President, Miss Lulu Buchanan.

The Y. W. M. Society, Germantown, Pa. Membership of ten. President, Miss Anna Snitor.

The Y. W. M. Society of the newly organized mission, Washington, D. C., with a membership of seven. Miss Grace Le Duc, President.

The First Church of Wilkinsburg, Pa. has given two of its King's Daughters to foreign servnce: Misses Olive T. Mason and Mabel Blair Dickey.

The Ingram Y. W. Society has sent a representative to India, Miss Olive Laing.

May not these examples incite other young women to more interest in the work; yes, even to the *going* point?

Treasurer's Report from April 15th to July, 1st, 1912.

It is desired that all money should be in the form of even dollars except on Parsonage Loans.

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Junior Special	Church Exten. and Parsonage	Ministerial Relief	Paymt on Parsnge Lns	Young Women's Special	Junior Life Membership	Senior Life Membership	Contingent Fund	Women's Ass'n Work: Orphans' Home	Women's Ass'n Work: Home for Aged People	Women's Ass'n Work: Columbia Hospital	Temperance	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany						16.00													16.00
Allegheny	245.00	110.00	56.00		88.00			30.00											529.00
Argyle	10.00	275.00	145.00	5.00	10.00	7.00		5.00											457.00
Beaver Valley	40.00	130.00	10.00		10.00														190.00
Brookville	4.00																		4.00
Caledonia	5.00			1.00	5.00		2.00	1.00		20.00					1.00				35.00
Chicago		128.00																	128.00
Colorado	19.00	85.00	29.00			15.00													148.00
Delaware	20.00	4.00		10.00	9.00	10.00		5.00											58.00
Detroit		50.00																	50.00
Garnett	10.00	4.00	18.00	5.00	5.00														42.00
Idaho	24.00		10.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00		6.00							1.00		53.00
Illinois, Southern		75.00	17.00																92.00
Indiana	19.00	82.00	77.00	18.00	27.00		19.00	22.00					5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	8.00		280.00
Keokuk		60.00	9.00		8.00	1.00													78.00
Lake		59.00	10.00																69.00
Mansfield	42.00	47.00	43.00		2.00		5.00												139.00
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New Jersey	25.00									10.00									35.00
New York	10.00		10.00																20.00
Oklahoma	15.00				3.00														18.00
Omaha	14.00		34.00	5.00	14.00		10.00	5.00		33.00									115.00
Pawnee	5.00			2.00	5.00		2.00	2.00											16.00
Rock Island	18.00	13.00	16.00		15.00														62.00
San Francisco	16.00	45.00	15.00		11.00		1.00	2.00											90.00
Sidney	5.00		5.00		5.00		3.00	3.00		2.00			1.00						24.00
Spokane	18.00		10.00		18.00														46.00
Steubenville	20.00	50.00	5.00		3.00			2.00		10.00									93.00
Westmoreland	17.00	6.00	6.00																29.00
Wheeling													5.27						5.27
Wisconsin	4.00		1.00							3.00							2.00		10.00
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MONTHLY REPORT WOMEN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

June 18.—The regular meeting of the Board was held in the Board room at ten o'clock, Miss Brown conducting devotional exercises. Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Yourd and Miss Brown led in prayer.

Treasurer reported receipts from June 1st to 15th, $3,171.49; disbursements from June 1st to 13th, $8,868.61.

Mrs, Campbell, Miss Little, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Porter will represent the Women's Board at the New Wilmington Conference.

Life Certificate Committtee was appointed consisting of Mrs. H. C. Campbell as chairman, Mrs. A. K. Wilson and Miss Little.

The Sabbath School of the Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, has undertaken the entire support of Miss Lois McCracken.

The Young Women's Secretary reported three new societies organized — The Lois Buchanan Mission Circle, Ninth Church, Monmouth, Ill.; The Young Women's Society, Washington, D. C.; The Young Women's Society, Germantown, Pa.

An addition to Sterling Hall, Miller's Ferry, Alabama was granted.

Mr. Cooper was recently appointed as missionary to Tama.

Miss Payne of Mansfield, Ohio, was elected teacher for Frenchburg College.

Miss Bertha Houston was chosen our representative to the Home Mission Conference at Chautauqua, August 4-10.

July 2.—The regular meeting of the Board was held in the Board room at ten o'clock. Miss Brown conducted devotional exercises. Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Cook and Miss Brown led in prayer.

Treasurer reported receipts for July, $4,386.22; disbursements, $10,429.88.

Miss Workman will be retained at Woodlawn at least through the month of July.

Miss McGregor will be retained at Tama until August 1st.

Rev. D. A. Cooper of Americus, Kans. will go to Tama July 1st.

The application from Utica, Pa., for a loan of $800 to help build a parsonage, was granted.

The application from San Antonio, for loan of $3,000 was granted.

The other half of Miss Hormel's salary has been pledged by her parents.

Mrs. Sophia Cox Johnson of Miller's Ferry, Ala. addressed many societies and organized the Tennessee Presbyterial Society.

The Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, will furnish the operating room in Henderson Hospital.

Mr. Hamilton sent check for $50 for bed in Henderson Hospital.

A generous donation of land was received from Judge Henderson, Miller's Ferry, Ala.

MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD, Secretary.

A Prayer for Egypt.

Must it be always thus, my Master,
Shall we ever stand aside
Whilst the mighty bands of Islam
Roll past like an awful tide?

But a few and often weary,
We Thy children seek to bring,
Egypt's sons and Egypt's daughters,
As bright trophies to our King.

Yet, we feel that, tho' the Gospel
Of Thy precious Son is preached,
Few are really keen to hear it,
Great the number still unreached.

And the banner of the Moslem,
Still doth hold unrivall'd sway,
Over most of Egypt's children,
When will dawn a brighter day?

Send Thy light, Lord, send Thy Spirit,
Raise up men whom Thou wilt own,
Break the awful power of Islam,
Lead the peoples to Thy Throne.

Listen to the cry of martyrs,
Lying long neath Egypt's plains,
Was the land not seal'd for Jesus,
By their agony and pain?

Listen to the prayers now rising,
East and west are joining hands,
"Native helper, foreign worker,"
All are one in Gospel bands.

Send Thy Spirit, Lord, and help us,
Break the yoke of Islam's chain,
May the souls who sit in darkness,
Win Thy glory, share Thy Name.

—F. L. Jackson-Bennett.

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